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Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.50	9.10	10.00	10.00	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.30	5.45	7.30	8.45	9.10	10.00	10.00	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.30	5.45	7.30	8.45	9.10
Yauwalei ...Dep.	6.45	8.10	8.55	9.15	10.05	10.05	1.20	2.40	3.05	4.35	5.50	7.35	8.50	9.15	10.05	10.05	1.20	2.40	3.05	4.35	5.50	7.35	8.50	9.15
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.26	9.01	9.21	10.11	10.11	1.32	2.52	3.17	4.47	6.02	7.40	8.55	9.20	10.10	10.10	1.32	2.52	3.17	4.47	6.02	7.40	8.55	9.20
Taipei ...Dep.	7.10	8.35	9.10	9.30	10.20	10.20	1.40	3.00	3.25	4.55	6.10	7.45	9.00	9.25	10.15	10.15	1.40	3.00	3.25	4.55	6.10	7.45	9.00	9.25
Taipei Market ...Dep.	7.15	8.40	9.15	9.35	10.25	10.25	1.45	3.05	3.30	5.00	6.15	7.50	9.05	9.30	10.20	10.20	1.45	3.05	3.30	5.00	6.15	7.50	9.05	9.30
Fanning ...Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	9.40	10.30	10.30	1.50	3.10	3.35	5.10	6.25	8.00	9.15	9.40	10.30	10.30	1.50	3.10	3.35	5.10	6.25	8.00	9.15	9.40
Shenagahai ...Dep.	7.35	9.00	9.25	9.45	10.35	10.35	1.55	3.15	3.40	5.20	6.35	8.10	9.25	9.50	10.40	10.40	1.55	3.15	3.40	5.20	6.35	8.10	9.25	9.50
Shamshun ...Dep.	7.41	9.06	9.31	9.51	10.41	10.41	2.00	3.20	3.45	5.30	6.45	8.20	9.35	10.00	10.50	10.50	2.00	3.20	3.45	5.30	6.45	8.20	9.35	10.00
Canton ...Arr.	8.48	10.13	10.38	10.58	11.48	11.48	2.30	3.50	4.15	6.00	7.15	8.50	10.05	10.30	11.20	11.20	2.30	3.50	4.15	6.00	7.15	8.50	10.05	10.30

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Shenagahai ...Dep.	7.18	8.43	9.08	10.08	11.08	11.08	1.28	2.48	3.13	4.43	5.58	7.03	8.18	8.43	9.33	9.33	1.28	2.48	3.13	4.43	5.58	7.03	8.18	8.43
Fanning ...Dep.	7.25	8.50	9.15	10.15	11.15	11.15	1.35	2.55	3.20	4.50	6.05	7.10	8.25	8.50	9.40	9.40	1.35	2.55	3.20	4.50	6.05	7.10	8.25	8.50
Taipei Market ...Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	10.20	11.20	11.20	1.40	3.00	3.25	4.55	6.10	7.15	8.30	8.55	9.45	9.45	1.40	3.00	3.25	4.55	6.10	7.15	8.30	8.55
Taipei ...Dep.	7.40	9.05	9.30	10.30	11.30	11.30	1.50	3.10	3.35	5.00	6.15	7.20	8.35	9.00	9.50	9.50	1.50	3.10	3.35	5.00	6.15	7.20	8.35	9.00
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WATERLOO AS TRAIN TERMINUS.

Proposals of a sweeping character, which if adopted would change many familiar aspects of the West End of London, have been submitted to the Prime Minister by the Minister of Transport, Col. Wilfrid Ashley.

They are consequential on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on London Bridges which proposed the construction of a double-deck road and railway bridge over the Thames at Charing Cross. The Royal Commission considered that such a bridge could be built at a cost of £7,500,000, but a committee of engineers appointed by the Ministry of Transport and the London County Council, assisted by the engineer of the Southern Railway, has made an exhaustive examination of the scheme and reported that the cost would be £11,500,000.

A New Terminus.

I gather, writes the Daily Mail political correspondent, that the Minister of Transport has not felt that he can recommend adoption of the Royal Commission's proposal, but has submitted an alternative scheme, worked out by the same engineers.

The proposal involves the sweeping away of Charing Cross Station and removing the work of this famous terminus across the river. There the Kentish lines of the Southern Railway would terminate in a great new extension of Waterloo Station.

In place of the railway bridge at Charing Cross a road bridge and viaduct, starting from the foot of St. Martin's Lane, near the Nurse Cavell memorial, would be carried across to Waterloo-road.

By thus easing cross-river traffic it is thought that it would be unnecessary to replace Waterloo Bridge. The old bridge could be widened so that its form would be maintained, but its traffic-carrying capacity increased to four lines abreast.

The report now before the Premier states that the whole of these works could be done at a cost of £10,000,000.

The proposals will be considered by the Cabinet shortly, and pending the Government's decision no step will be taken by the London County Council towards the demolition of Waterloo Bridge and erection of the new bridge there for which it already has plans and estimates completed.

It is expected, if the new plan is accepted by the Cabinet, that the Government grant from the Road Fund towards the cost would be about £7,500,000.

BRIGHTON'S LOST BEAR.

FOUND TWENTY MILES FROM SCENE OF ITS ESCAPE.

BRIGHTON, April 23rd. Brighton's missing bear, which has been roaming over the downs exactly a month, has been definitely located, on an estate called Tilgate, at Worth, near Crawley, more than 20 miles from Withdean Hall, where it escaped from a private zoo.

Tracks believed to be those of a bear have been found at Tilgate by the head keeper, Mr. J. Cook, who said:

I was beating a plantation known as Black Scotch on Friday night with my son and another man. We heard a noise, and when we got to the side of the plantation we were surprised to see the bear scramble over an 18-inch wire fence and make off quickly across an oak field. We followed it, but it entered Cherry Tree Wood, and by the time we got there it was too dark to see and we abandoned the search.

I took the precaution of pegging out the bear's tracks across the ploughed land with twigs, and yesterday I showed them to my employer, Mr. Nix, who is a big-game hunter. He at once classified them as bear tracks.

The wood in which the bear is supposed to be at the moment will be thoroughly beaten.

SIR LEO CHIOZZA-MONEY ACQUITTED.

A HYDE PARK CASE.

POLICE BRING NO CORROBORATIVE EVIDENCE.

LONDON, May 3rd.

The nocturnal activities of the Police in Hyde Park received sharp evidence of Magisterial disapproval, when Mr. Henry L. Cancellor, at Marlborough Street Police Court, on Wednesday afternoon dismissed a case brought against Sir Leo Chiozza-Money and a young woman, and gave costs against the Police. Sir Leo, who is 57, and Miss Irene Savage, 22, were arrested on April 23rd in Hyde Park by two plain clothes men, who charged them with "behaving in a manner reasonably to offend against the public decency."

At the preliminary hearing, it was charged on Sir Leo's behalf that the Police made no effort to secure the testimony of an independent witness, who overtook the procession to the Police Station in order to return an umbrella which Sir Leo had left in the Park.

At today's hearing strong evidence was given regarding the respectability of Miss Savage and the correct nature of Sir Leo's relations with her and his acquaintance with the family. After considerable testimony, the Magistrate stopped the case on the ground that the Police failed to secure corroborative evidence.

This case is one of a series extending over several years in which prominent people have fallen foul of the Police in Hyde Park. The unsafety of the Park after dark became as a result the subject of comic paper humour.

Sir Leo Chiozza-Money's own counsel to-day characterized as "most stupid" Sir Leo's choice of Hyde Park as the place to hold conversation with a young woman.

ARMY'S WOMEN COOKS.

TO DO WORK OF TWO MEN IN FRANCE.

PARIS.

Women cooks are to replace men in the French Army. Each woman will be required to cook for 400 men and will replace two soldier cooks who will fulfil the usual duties of a soldier.

The women are to be paid £50 a year all found and will be given dress and lodging allowances. Out of their dress allowances they must provide themselves with suitable apparel for work in the cookhouse and with a uniform, the exact pattern of which has yet to be determined.

MEALS ON THE ROAD.

NEW MOTOR-COACHES WITH RESTAURANTS.

London has two motor-coach stations at which the big vehicles arrive and depart with the regularity of trains.

During the Easter holiday both of them worked at high pressure handling crowds of road travellers.

At the Orange Coaches station at Brixton all records were broken in the number of journeys to the south coast resorts.

At the Lupus-street station, near Vauxhall Bridge, S.W., which is the terminus of 10 of the motor-coach companies in southern England, more than 200 vehicles, many of them bound for places as far away as Torquay, Weston-super-Mare, and Bath, left on Easter Eve and almost as many on Easter Sunday.

Mr. L. M. Turnham, a manager of the London Coastal Services Company, which owns the station, said to a reporter:

More than 800 motor-coaches have left with holiday-makers since Thursday. Road travel is becoming more and more popular. We can load 150 coaches at once, so that people can get away as easily as from a railway station.

We are shortly starting a service to the east coast resorts on which road dining coaches will be used, enabling travellers to have a meal on the way.

Another motor-coach station is being built near Russell-square, and it is proposed to erect another near Victoria Station.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

(May 18th.)

Helena May Institute Christian Fellowship Meeting, 10.30 a.m.

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting, 11 a.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."

World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.30 "Lock Young Bridge" at 2.30 and 7.15.

Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Lahore).

Saturday.

(May 19th.)

Golf: Bogy Pool, Fanning.

Lane, Crawford, Ltd., 8th ordinary yearly meeting, noon.

Chinese Athletic Association, Football Dinner Yee Wo Restaurant, 7.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."

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Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Lahore). Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Hakozaki Maru), 8.30 a.m.

Sunday.

(May 20th.)

Golf: Bogy Pool, Fanning.

Queen's Theatre: "Tillie the Toiler."

World Theatre: "The Navigator."

Star Theatre: "The Valley of Hell."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Monday.

(May 21st.)

Sale of Crown Land Kowloon Island lot No. 1133, 3 p.m.

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Tuesday.

(May 22nd.)

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miserables."

World Theatre: "Padlocked."

Star Theatre: "The Lone Eagle."

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Thursday.

(May 24th.)

Empire Day.

Opening by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government of Cheong Y.M.O.A. City Hall 6 p.m.

Official Opening St. Peter's Club Bathing Shed Repulse Bay, 3.30.

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miserables."

World Theatre: "The Frontiers Man."

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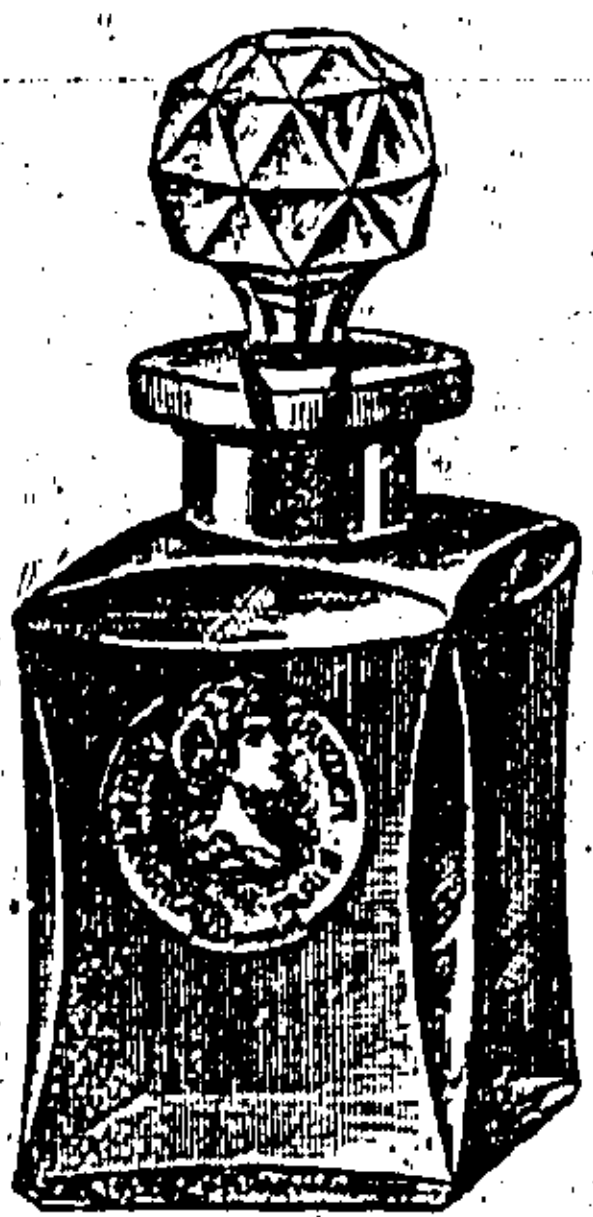
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HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LT.-COL. L. C. BIRD, D.S.O., COMMANDANT.]

No. 330.

1.—King's Birthday Parade.
Monday, June 4th, 1928.
The Corps will take part in this parade at Happy Valley at 9 a.m. as for last year. The Corps will fall in on the Football Ground at 8.15 a.m. Full details will be issued later.

Owing to Thursday, May 31st, 1928, being considered as an unsuitable date for a King's Birthday rehearsal parade the date has now been changed to:—

Wednesday, May 30th, 1928.
Fall in at 5.45 p.m.
Nos. 1 and 2 Companies:—The Battery, Engineer Company, Corps Signals, Infantry Company, Reserve Company.
No. 3 Company:—Scottish.
No. 4 Company:—Portuguese.
Dress: Mufti, drill order. All leather belts must be exchanged for web.

Store will be open from 5 p.m. on date for this purpose.
Officers for Colours: Lieut. M. H. Noll and 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.
After the parade dismisses there will be a beef steak and kidney pudding supper in the drill hall.
Tickets \$1 each which must be obtained through O.C. units before 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 29th, 1928.

2.—Musketry.

Sunday, May 20th, 1928.
All ranks of the M.I. and A.C. Companies who have not yet fired Part I. Tables "T" will fire at Stonecutters on Sunday, May 20th, 1928.
Range Officer: Lieut. H. C. Macnamara.
Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.
Dress: Uniform or mufti optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces and belt must be worn.
Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters to-day, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 9 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 8 p.m.; and on Saturday, May 19th, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

3.—Casuals.
Musketry Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters on Sunday, May 27th, 1928. All those who have not yet fired are requested to do so. This is the last opportunity for members to fire.
The following officers not having fired Part I. will act as range officers:—Lieut. J. Norrie-Owen, 2/Lieut. A. Mackenzie, 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

4.—Holidays.
Thursday, May 24th, and Monday, May 28th, 1928, will be observed as holidays, no parades will be held on those dates.

5.—The Battery.
Lecture on Theory. This will be given at Volunteer Headquarters on Thursday, at 8 p.m. This is a voluntary parade.

6.—Mounted Infantry.
Parade at Stables on Tuesday, May 22nd, at 5.45 p.m. Plain clothes.

7.—Armoured Car Company.
All ranks will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, May 21st, for the purpose of exchanging leather equipment for webbing.

8.—Infantry Company.
Recruits will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22nd, under Sergt. V. C. Branson, M.C. Dress: Mufti, belt and sidearms.
Musketry Part I. All those who have not yet fired are reminded that the last opportunity is on Sunday, May 27th, at Stonecutters with Casuals.

9.—Corps Band.
All ranks will parade as strong as possible at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22nd.

10.—Strength.
The following recruit is taken on the strength on May 18th, 1928, and posted to Armoured Car Company (Motor Cycle Section):—No. 1317 Pte. S. C. Banks.

11.—Reversion.
No. 64 Sergt. F. Cullen, A.C. Company, reverts to the ranks at his own request, as from May 15th, 1928.

12.—Transfers.
No. 888 Pte. A. Nissim is transferred from the M.I. Company to the Armoured Car Company, as from December 1st, 1927.
No. 84 Pte. F. Cullen is transferred from A.C. Company to the Reserve Company, A.C. Section, as from May 15th, 1928.
No. 1090 Pte. C. H. Eldridge is transferred from A.C. Company to the Reserve Company, as from May 15th, 1928.
No. 1023 Pte. B. E. Benedicis is transferred from the Medical Section to Corps Band, as from May 1st, 1928.

13.—Leave.
The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—
3/Lieut. H. Owen-Hughes, from May 22nd to June 5th, 1928.
No. 1138 Sergt. A. W. Hayward, No. 1 Platoon, from May 22nd to June 5th, 1928.
No. 1023 L/Cpl. S. Jex, No. 3 Platoon, from May 22nd to June 5th, 1928.
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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

May 17th, 1928.

B.K. Bank	\$1.250 buy.
Do.	\$1.234 nom.
Chartered Bank	\$2.11 buy.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	\$2.334 nom.
Do.	\$2.14 buy.
P. & O. Bank	\$75 nom.
East Asia Bank	\$75 nom.
Canton Insurance	\$360 sel.
Union Insurance	\$342 buy, 344 sel.
North China Ins.	\$1.140 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	\$1.147 buy.
China Underwriters	\$2.5 buy.
China Fire Insurance	\$450 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	\$250 nom.
Donghai	\$40 sel.
H.K. Steamboat	\$224 sel.
H.K. Tugs	\$24 buy.
Lido-Chinese (Prof.)	\$37 buy.
Do. (Def.)	\$78 nom.
Shell Transports	\$579 nom.
Waterboats	\$20 nom.
Beaumont	\$14 nom.
Kaiser Mining Co.	\$14 buy.
Langkat (combined)	\$1.14 buy.
Do. (single)	\$1.14 nom.
S'hai. Explorations	\$1.234 nom.
Shanghai Loans	\$1.34 nom.
Ranba	\$4 nom.
Tromps Mines	\$178 nom.
H.K. & K. Wharfs	\$150 buy.
H.K. & W. Dock	\$14 sel.
China Provident	\$4 sel.
Hongkong	\$1.169 buy.
New Engineering	\$1.5 buy.
Shanghai Docks	\$1.111 buy.
Ewo Cottons	\$1.84 buy.
Oriental Cottons	\$1.230 sel.
S'hai. Cottons (old)	\$1.50 sel.
Do. (new)	\$1.29 sel.
H.K. & Hotels	\$8.40 buy, 8.45 sel.
H.K. Lands	\$64 buy, 64 1/2 sel, 64 1/2 nom.
Shanghai Lands	\$1.144 buy.
Humphreys Kates	\$144 nom.
H.K. Realities	\$34 buy, 34 sel.
H.K. Tramways	\$24 sel.
Peak Trams (old)	\$134 buy.
Do. (new)	\$134 nom.
Star Lines	\$11.40 sel.
Onus Lights (old)	\$11.40 sel.
Do. (new)	\$11.40 sel.
Do. (1928 issue)	\$74 nom.
H.K. Electric	\$68 1/2 sel.
Macao Electric	\$38 1/2 buy.
Telephones	\$44 buy.
China Buses	\$1.9 buy.
Singapore Tractions	\$93 buy.
China Sugars	\$54 nom.
Malayan Sugars	\$54 nom.
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No. 1230 Bandman P. M. F. Rosario, Corps Band, as from May 11th, 1928.
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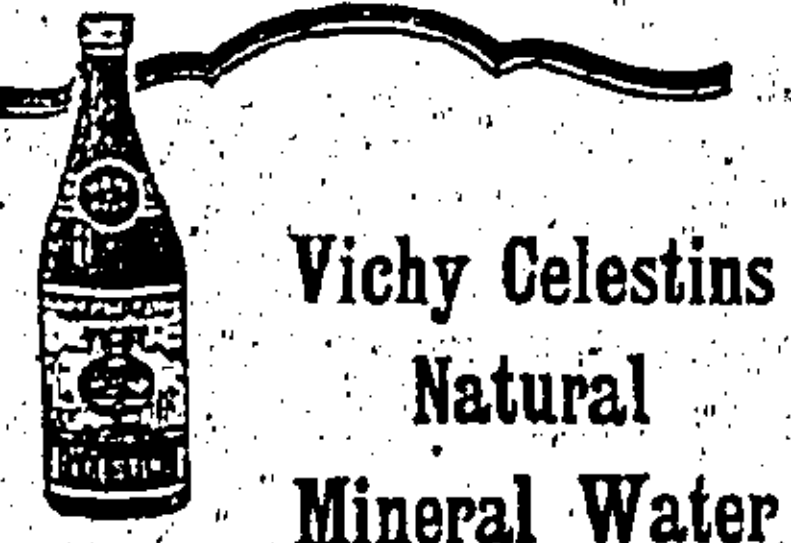
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OPENING OF GUTTERIDGE CASE.

DRAMATIC SILENCE AT OLD BAILEY.

THREE TRAGIC WOMEN.

Invoking the aid of the camera and the microscope, Sir F. Boyd Merriman, K.C., the new Solicitor-General, maintained at the Old Bailey that the bullets which killed Police-Constable Gutteridge on an Essex high road during the early morning of September 27th of last year must have been fired from a revolver found in the possession of Frederick Guy Browne.

Together with William Henry Kennedy, Browne stood in the dock charged with the murder of the village constable.

It was a masterly address that opened the case for the Crown, an address as simple in language as it was dramatic in substance.

Every sentence contained a thrill, but it was the scientific demonstration of the Solicitor-General with an Army Service revolver that chiefly impressed the crowded court. Displaying the grim, black weapon, Sir F. B. Merriman told the jury, which included three women, that just as no two fingerprints are alike, so are the file-marks made by a gunsmith on the breach shield of these revolvers different in every case, and owing to the enormous pressure caused by the discharge of the cartridge these file-marks are plainly reproduced on the base of the shell.

Cartridge Marks.

Speaking in a clear, musical voice that gripped the court, the Solicitor-General, continuing to call on science to support his argument, added that a shell found in a deserted car stolen from a doctor in Billericay contained the file-marks seen on one of the several revolvers found in the possession of Browne.

Further, P.C. Gutteridge, said Sir F. B. Merriman, was shot dead with a type of ammunition now very scarce, and cartridges of this rare make were found in the possession of Browne when he was arrested.

For two hours the quiet voice of the Solicitor-General narrated one of the most dramatic narratives ever heard in the Old Bailey. So silent was the court that the slightest sound came as a disturbing interruption, and a whispering barrier was rebuked by Mr. Justice Avory, who complained that the whisper echoed through the court.

Smoothly, relentlessly, the case for the Crown developed, sometimes with gruesome details.

Blended with the statement alleged to have been made by Kennedy, declaring that Browne shot the policeman, was the story of a village dog barking round a dustbin. Mingled with the recital of the finding of human blood on the running board of the deserted blue car from Billericay were descriptions of Browne's moustache, whimsical descriptions by a blunt witness, who caused Browne to chuckle in the dock.

Six Warders.

The two prisoners were accompanied in the dock by six warders and a doctor. They were separated by two warders.

Browne, a dark man, with smooth neatly parted black hair, and a greying waxed moustache, wore a navy blue suit, soft collar, and blue tie. Frequently he chatted and smiled with the nearest warder.

Kennedy, a blonde man, with thin yellowish hair, was dressed in a brown suit, with a brown tie and a soft biscuit-coloured collar. He has slender, well-kept hands, and on the fourth finger of the left hand he wore a wedding ring.

His young wife, who has been married a few months, sat in the corridor outside the court with Mrs. Browne, a middle-aged woman.

Pathetic Widow.

A pathetic figure in black was Mrs. Gutteridge, widow of the shot constable. Pale and thin, she was supported by a woman friend in the witness-box, where she broke down while replying to the questions of Mr. E. F. Lever, Browne's counsel.

He wished to know if the dead policeman had quarrelled with a man who was now in a lunatic asylum. Mrs. Gutteridge struggled to say that she knew of no such quarrel and no such man.

"Take her home now," ordered the judge kindly.

During the afternoon the public composition of the court changed. People, mainly young men who had waited for hours in a queue to gain admission to the small gallery over the clock opposite the jury box, found their places taken after luncheon by a new company which included several young women.

Women Barristers.

Many women sat in the body of the court, and among the large number of counsel present were three women barristers. One of them, Miss Edith Rosser, sat behind Mr. H. D. Roome, who, during the later hours led for the Crown in the temporary absence of the Solicitor-General. Mr. Roome is a clever counsel, with piercing dark eyes and an engaging voice and manner.

Mr. E. F. Lever has a strong, square face. He is an incisive and persistent cross-examiner. Mr. F. Powell, who is defending Kennedy, is young, skilful, and extremely alert.

Mr. Justice Avory, the famous criminal judge, was as always, softly spoken, dignified, and firmly impressive. Sometimes there is a rasp in his voice when he corrects counsel, but usually his sterner moments are revealed only by the cold gleam of his compelling blue eyes.

At the beginning of the trial his lordship told the three jurywomen that as the case would probably last for three or four days he would release them from the jury if they so wished; but none of the three jurywomen shirked her responsibilities.

When the court adjourned the jury were taken for a drive to obtain, as his lordship remarked, the benefit of the fresh air.

[Both prisoners were found guilty and sentenced to death.]

TROTSKY WANTS TO GO HOME.

RECONCILIATION TALK.

It is stated here that Trotsky, the former Soviet Commissar for War, who is now in exile, has asked the Moscow authorities for permission to return to that city from Turkestan to superintend the publication of his works by the State Press.

The statement is regarded as more serious than the tales of Trotsky's assassination or flight which have lately been in circulation, one of which was traced to a Russian newspaper in the Baltic provinces, which owned that it had published it to fool people on April 1st.

It is further stated that Trotsky's request is not unfavourably regarded in Moscow, as the present policy of the Government, especially in the peasants' question, is similar to Trotsky's, and thus a reconciliation between Stalin's party and the banished leader is a possibility.

TWICE SAVED FROM BEING AN INVALID FOR LIFE AFTER THE DOCTORS HAD FAILED BOTH TIMES.

POO ON CHINESE HERBS CURED HIM PERMANENTLY.

Doctors advised amputation of arms in 1917 to prevent death from blood poisoning and the second time cut out tonsils and extracted all teeth to cure rheumatism due as they thought to injuries. Man testifies that at both times Poo On Chinese Herbs were the only means of saving him from being an invalid for life, relieving him of terrible pain.

C. W. Owens, who now lives at 220, Leon-street, Modesto, California, U.S.A., and who formerly lived at 551 Wolfe-avenue, Turlock, California, said recently:

"On March 20th, 1917, I left Modesto for Tacoma, Washington, where I was engaged in a logging camp as head loader. I worked at this trade up to this year. It was on January 1st, 1923, while working on a wharf, that a truck backed and struck me. I fell and landed on my right shoulder and leg. My right side was badly injured and later on the company's doctor examined me and ordered me to go to a hospital. I was in the hospital three months and during this time eight physicians examined and treated me. Each had a different opinion, but the majority thought I was suffering from rheumatism, due to my injury. Then they decided I might get help from surgical treatment, but after taking them for a while my condition was even worse instead of better. The physicians then thought that I had pyorrhea and catarrhal troubles and advised that my tonsils and teeth be all taken out and this was done according to their advice. Then my hands and joints all over my body began to swell and I got worse and worse. My wrists got as stiff as boards. My head ached and I had pains all the time all over my body. My pains were so bad that I could not sleep at night. My appetite was absolutely no good and I could only drink a little milk or take a little light food. I could not lie on my back or on my side. If I did my breath would be cut short. At times I could only lie on my left side for 10 or 15 minutes but this was the longest as my pain aroused me. The physicians at the hospital tried all they could to give me relief and to cure me, but they said they had done all they could, and I could only let nature have its own course, as mine was an impossible case. It was something unusual to them and they exhausted their ability to bring me satisfactory results. They said that Nature will take her course and the trouble will wear itself out. Then I began to think how badly I was when in Modesto, in 1918, I was hurt and crippled up nearly as bad—may be worse. At this time I was examined by physicians. They all told me that my arms must be amputated or I would die of blood poisoning. After relatives and friends recommended me to take the Poo On Chinese Herbs I decided to try them. I was then a complete nervous wreck and a cripple and had painful sufferings. After taking the herbs for three weeks I went to work on my uncle's ranch and could plough two acres of land a day and chop wood. I have been a well man and enjoyed the best of health and had no illness of any kind until this last accident happened to me. On January 1st, 1923, I weighed 190 pounds and when I left Tacoma I weighed only 127 pounds. When I arrived in Modesto I was on two crutches. I was unable to get into the house of the Poo On Chinese Herbs Company, without help. After taking the herbs in the neighbourhood of two weeks, I threw away my crutches and now I am able to walk naturally. My wrists are free from all swelling and stiffness and all pain has left me. I sleep well every night and eat everything I want. I go anywhere and can walk one or two miles a day without distress or difficulty. My only complaint is that I cannot chew because my teeth are all gone. I eat things I am able to without my teeth and everything digests fine. My case seemed so impossible and so many doctors had given me up. I certainly feel that the Poo On Chinese Herbs have done wonders for me. I cannot say enough to praise them."

The following testimony was given by Mr. Owen in 1917 when he took the Poo On Chinese Herbs for the first time:

Mr. Owen said: "Last year, on September 20th, my arm was hurt from a fall. I then began to suffer great pain in my back and the bottom of my left foot began to swell. My arm grew smaller, from 12 1/2 inches to 8 1/2 inches, and my weight fell from 185 pounds to 145 pounds in three months. The pain was so severe that I could not sleep at night; sometimes only able to sleep five or ten minutes at a time. I would have to sit up or keep moving about to feel easy and get relief, and could only lay on my right side. My left hand and arm were practically useless. My left foot was so bad that I could just drag it around. I doctored with six physicians spending \$400. They told me there was no hope for me to get well. I took the medicine from them but it did me no good. At last one doctor told me my arm would have to be taken off or I would never get any better, and there might be a chance for my trouble to grow out by itself. I did not want to take the chance of losing my arm and then not recovering. A friend told me to see the Poo On Chinese Herbs Company, and find out if the Chinese Herbs could benefit my case. He had heard of other cases similar to mine being cured. I really did not have much confidence in becoming well, but on the strength of my friend's advice I called on the Poo On Chinese Herbs Co., to learn what results I might expect from the herbs treatment. My brother and my wife took me to the Poo On Chinese Herbs Company, assisted me into the place. My hand and arm were practically useless. I could not raise it to put it on the desk without assistance, and could only drag my left foot. The first dose of herb tea I drank that night, sleeping soundly all night, and I felt better every day. Now I have no pain, sleep well at night without any trouble, and my arm which had shrunk from 12 1/2 inches to 8 1/2 inches is now filling out and is over 9 inches. I can now use my hand and arm freely and can walk naturally going anywhere I please, and am regaining my weight. After taking the Poo On Chinese Herbs for three weeks, I was able to plough two acres of land and not suffer any ill effects. I now feel fine."

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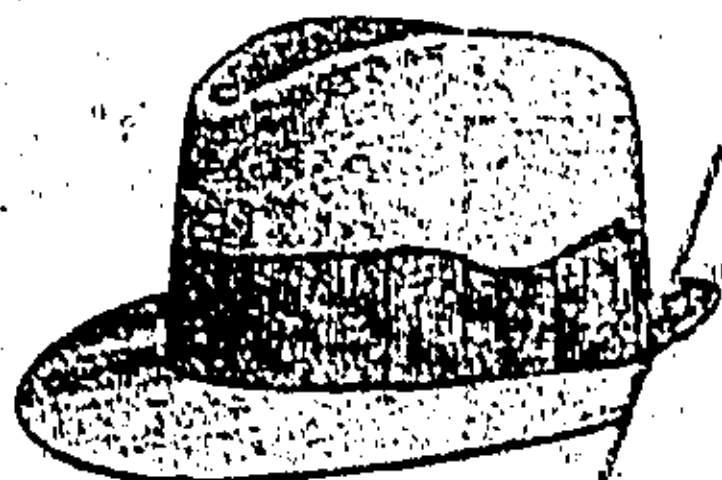
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Supporting Mr. Beith were Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. L. Dunbar, Mr. H. Humphreys, Mr. H. P. White, and Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary). Shareholders present were Messrs. Ho Leung, Lo Man Hin, L. S. Greenhill, A. H. M. da Silva, J. Arnold, D. Y. Stevenson and J. H. Taggart.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

Addressing the meeting the Chairman, Mr. Beith said:—
"The account for the year 1923, which we are now present to you, though showing an appreciable improvement on that for 1923, does not compare too favourably with others of its predecessors since 1916. The premium income is some \$310,000 more than that for 1923, the loss ratio is lower at 67.27 per cent. as against 69.68 per cent., the expense ratio is 10.93 per cent. as against 20.18 per cent. and the underwriting balance 13.10 per cent. as compared with 9.84 per cent."

British Financial Stability.

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Local Conditions.

The local position remains unaltered and it is quite impossible to foresee any prospect of better things ahead; the continued internecine warfare has greatly reduced the purchasing power of this vast country and until a lasting peace is restored, allowing Chinese in the interior to go about their lawful avocations without let or hindrance, no betterment of the present state of affairs as regards commerce is to be looked for. The fall of 12 per cent. in the Customs Revenue for 1927 provides a striking example of the effect of these disorders upon the trade of China as a whole.

Not Yet In Smoother Waters.

I regret my inability to strike a more optimistic note with regard to Marine Insurance but I cannot see that we are yet into smoother waters; as encouraging feature of the situation, however, is the continued traditional resourcefulness of the Chinese in adapting themselves to circumstances and maintaining their trade, as far as humanly possible, under the most chaotic conditions. If proof of this is needed, ample evidence is furnished by the statistics of exports from the Yangtze River throughout the disturbances that have existed in that area for the last 18 months. Nevertheless there can be no question but that our present cautious policy must be maintained until the horizon is clearer.

The Accounts.

Turning again to the accounts, you will see that the balance at credit of working account for 1927 is \$2,504,981.69 as against \$2,351,296.94, an increase of slightly over \$150,000; it must be borne in mind, however, that this account has yet a further 14 months to run and, though this increase is satisfactory, it is quite impossible to make any forecast as to what the ultimate result will be.

Our assets as expressed in sterling and dollars show increases of approximately \$200,000 and \$175,000, respectively.

(Continued on next column.)

NO CORRUPTION.

PHILIPPINES ANGRY AT
SUGGESTION.

WASHINGTON, May 11th.
Sparks flew from a letter dispatched to-day by Philippine Resident Commissioner Pedro Guevara to Senator William H. King and others concerning the attitude of the Government-General upon the Willis Bill.

Guevara was replying to verbal information from the senators, alleging that Governor-General Henry L. Stimson had cabled Washington requesting the passage of the Willis Bill as "an aid in curbing corruption" in the Islands. In the course of his letter, the Resident Commissioner denied the existence of corruption in the Philippines Government.

He further said that if Governor-General Stimson believes that a conspiracy exists among Filipino officials for such a purpose, he will energetically protest against any such conclusion, "much as I respect the distinguished Governor-General."—*Manila Times.*

Underwriting Suspense Account.—This reserve continues in a sound position.

Reinsurance Fund.—This fund stands at \$2,506,007.56 as against \$2,351,296.94 for 1923, a decrease of \$154,710.62. This reduction in the dollar showing is almost entirely due to the rise in exchange from 1/11 1/2d. on the 31st December, 1926, to 2 1/4d. at the end of last year.

Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account.—This account shows an increase of \$177,928.87 which result is due to the improvement in the market values of both our gold and silver investments.

London Office Disaster.

Our London Office at No. 23, Cornhill, was involved in the collapse of the 7th August last year and many important records were buried under the debris. Thanks, however, to the energy of our staff, matters have now been righted and the fact that we are able to hold our annual meeting at the same time as last year is ample evidence of the good work they put in. We are much indebted to our friends The Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., for the assistance they afforded us at the time of the collapse; they provided us with temporary office accommodation which we have just vacated to occupy our offices in "Lloyd's" new building.

Final Payment Of \$22.

The surplus to be dealt with is \$1,008,202.75 out of which has been paid an interim dividend of \$18 per share. We now recommend a final payment of \$22 the same as last year; the addition of \$100,000 to reinsurance fund, and the transfer of the balance, amounting to \$508,202.75, to underwriting suspense account to close the year 1927. The balance of \$2,604,981.69 at credit of 1927 account allows of the payment of the usual interim dividend of \$18 for that year.

Auditors' Fees Increased.

Owing to the very considerable increase that has taken place during the past few years in the work of auditing the accounts of the Company, it is proposed to raise the auditors' fees from \$750 to \$1,000, for each firm, and you will, I hope, confirm this when the proposal for the re-election of auditors comes before the meeting.

I do not think there is anything further that calls for special comment, but I shall be pleased to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions arising out of the accounts which shareholders may wish to put, after the adoption of the report and accounts has been duly seconded.

I now propose the following resolution:—

"That the report and accounts, as presented, including the payment of a final dividend in respect of the year 1927 of \$22 per share, and an interim dividend in respect of the year 1927 of \$18 per share; an addition of \$100,000 to reinsurance fund and of \$508,202.75 to underwriting suspense account, be adopted and passed."

OTHER BUSINESS.

After the adoption of the accounts had been seconded by Mr. Ho Leung, Mr. J. H. Taggart proposed the re-election of Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, A. B. Gubbay, H. Humphreys, T. E. Pearce, H. P. White and the Chairman to be the Consulting Committee for the ensuing year. Mr. L. S. Greenhill seconded.

On the proposal of Mr. A. H. M. da Silva and seconded by Mr. Lo Man Hin, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming were re-elected to be the auditors of the Company at a year remuneration of \$1,000 each.

THE DECAY OF PEKING.

1928 COMPARED WITH 1918.

A NEGATIVE GOVERNMENT.

PEKING, April 19th.

Facility of communication has never been characteristic of China, but never have the two parts of the country, roughly if inaccurately designated as North and South, been so isolated from one another as now.

To anybody who knows China and its history it is not necessary to labour the point of the essential differences between North and South. Between the Cantonese and the native of Shantung or Chihli there is at least as much divergence as between the Scandinavian and Latin.

Even Among Foreigners.

The contrast is reflected even among foreigners. The language of the foreign clubs is different in Shanghai and Peking. Foreign officials here in Peking show an attitude of intolerance toward their compatriots in Shanghai, comparable to that of the long-time military man toward the entourage of Chiang Kai Shek.

Most of all, there is here in Peking an air of indifference and contempt for the Nationalist government, its leaders and its ideas. All that, one hears, is finished. It was all Russian-made, and has collapsed with the passing of the Russians. Chiang Kai Shek may make some imposing gestures and fine flourishes, he may threaten and move troops to Hsuehufu, but he will not make or attempt to make a decisive move, because he lacks the means. His organization is a hollow shell, gaudily painted outside.

To one who has not seen Peking for some years the most notable impression is that of a low fading out into inconsequence. The outward trappings of a national capital, still maintained until the Tsao K'un period though even then there was no inner substance, are now tarnished and tattered. There are still Legations in Peking, but they alone give it the character of a national capital. And since this city has never been more than a symbol of national grandeur and has lived thereby, the poverty of the population reflects the change. There are a few paved streets, but the shops that line them are bed-ragged. Between the passing of a once numerous court and hectic taxation, a population which once lived on a numerous and extravagant court is feeling the pinch. Business is bad everywhere in China; it is stagnant here.

Despondent Moods.

Everywhere in China now there appears to be a mood of depression, even despondency. In Shanghai and Nanking there is the inevitable settling down after a long period of effervescence.

Here in Peking, however, there has not been the stimulation of hopes, even hopes destined to be dashed. There was an air of depression when the writer left. There is an air of depression now. It differs now only in that it is more acute. Perhaps stagnation is a better word than depression. In Shanghai there is vitality; here there is none. One need not have too fond illusions about Nationalism and the Kuomintang to perceive that difference. It is possible at least to set up the hypothesis that Nanking, given a free hand may bring about some fundamental change in China's status. It is not possible by the furthest stretch of charity to have any expectations from Peking, as Peking is now. It is now at it was in the days of the Anfu Club. There is no reason to believe that it will not be ten years from now as it is now.

Peking The Negation.

One may or not like what Nanking stands for, but it stands for something. Peking does not. An avowedly and consciously conservative regime, one which was anti-republican, anti-modern and on principle determined to cling to old Chinese institutions, could make a good case for itself. It would have something to stand on. But no such position can be attributed to Peking. No policy of any kind can be attributed to Peking. The regime of Chang Tso Lin is not a government in that sense.

From the foreign point of view, however, there is little essential difference between Peking and Shanghai. Peking may be less vociferous about its nationalism—meaning by nationalism a desire for equality before international law—but if there were to be a sudden and sweeping Northern triumph which gave Peking mastery over the whole country nationalism in that sense would not pass. There is no evidence that the new Peking regime would not also press for immediate revision of the treaties, even if its language were different. Internally China goes on pretty much as it did before. There are other names and other faces, new phrases have won general currency, new practices have been adopted here and there. But in essentials the China of 1928 is the China of 1918. It has changed more for the foreigner than for the Chinese. But for the foreigner that fact is all-important.—*Japan Advertiser.*

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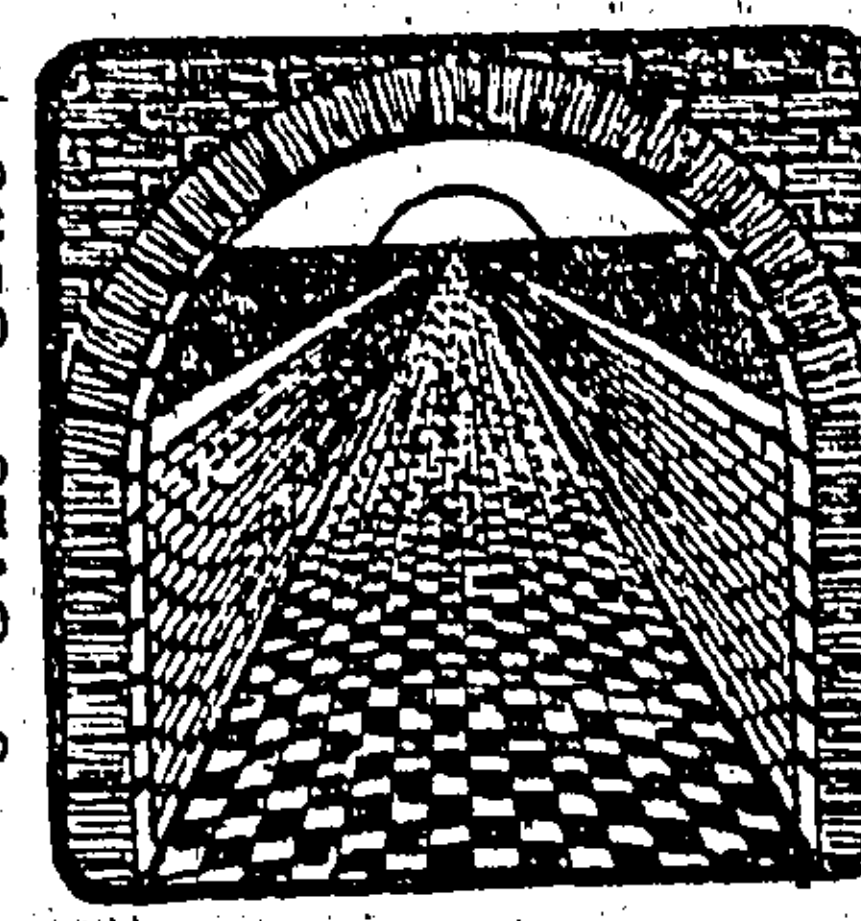
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ACTION AGAINST REDS CONTINUES.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, May 17th.

Canton is not to escape financial liability for the Northern Expedition, and apart from the upkeep of a large number of troops in Kwangtung as a reserve which the Northern force can call upon, officials and members of the Kuomintang are to continue to be assessed for a special income tax and every district, or *hien*, will have to contribute sums assessed up to \$30,000 within the next few days as a remittance to the party war chest.

The belief in Kwangtung is that the Nationalist Government has accepted the Japanese demands with regard to the Shantung incidents because they regard the occupation of Peking as of primary importance to the Southern cause. Their hope is to come to a final settlement with Japan when they have extended their rule over the whole of China and set up a Government which has secured recognition by the world. Canton is particularly anxious that China shall not give any handle to the Japanese by permitting any sort of "incident."

The Kuomintang Party Provincial Committee has ordered that Friday, May 18th (to-day) there shall be a five-minute silence at noon in memory of those killed. Otherwise, there will be no public agitation on account of the alleged Japanese "atrocities" at Tsinan. The undecurrent of agitation in favour of boycotting Japanese goods goes on, but the Authorities are careful to see that nothing happens which could give cause for reasonable complaint.

A SECRET CONFERENCE.

The Central Labour Union in Canton is now holding a delegates conference at its headquarters at Taiping Road, but its membership and influence to-day are not at all like they were in the past, when workers' organizations were almost a law to themselves. Only few labour unions are now affiliated to the central organization, and the proceedings of the conference are being kept secret, though they will be duly released for publication after the report has been passed by the proper channel. It is understood that a resolution has been adopted asking the local authorities to reinstate all unions which have never been "Red" but have come under the ban, when the local authorities decided to close nearly all the labour unions after the "Red" uprising of last December.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUPPORT MUNICIPAL LOAN.

At the request of the Municipal Bureau of Finance, the Canton General Chamber of Commerce will assist the Municipality to float a municipal bond issue of \$600,000, the proceeds of which are to go towards constructive work in Canton City. The bonds will be in five dollar denominations, repayable by periodical drawings, with premiums ranging from \$5 to \$20,000, thus giving the issue a spice of gamble. At each drawing, the first lucky number will not only get his bond redeemed with interest, but also a prize of \$20,000. The General Committee of the General Chamber of Commerce is still considering the terms of the issue and may not approve everything submitted by the Municipal Authorities. The General Chamber will act as a guarantor for the Municipality.

At present many municipal improvements are being held up on account of lack of funds, and the short-term loan will enable many necessary jobs to be completed.

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A PATENT SPEARING ROD.

INDIAN CONSTABLE'S NOCTURNAL ANGLING.

HOW HE DEALT WITH SOME FORKS.

Cases before the Courts were less serious than usual yesterday, and a lighter vein was apparent when an Indian constable with a weakness for fruit was charged. The Indian constable's name is Shadam Khan and he is a man of fertile imagination. On his daily beat he came across many fruit stalls and the sight of the varied assortment of fresh fruits ranging from bananas to mangoes set his brains working until at last he hit upon a novel way by which he could get a fresh supply of fruit every day.

The fruit stalls are fenced in by a bamboo screen at night, and all fruits laid out for sale during the day are left in much the same place at night. The Indian constable therefore got hold of a piece of bamboo and attached to it a hook. This novel fishing or rather spearing rod was then tried on a stall at Hollywood Road where proprietor began to miss some of his fruit every morning.

The Rift In The Lute.

Things went on like this for a few days and then came the rift in the lute. One night the *fokis* of that particular stall kept vigil and their patience was rewarded at about three o'clock in the morning, when they saw the constable approaching their stall fishing rod in hand. The rod was thrust through the screen and the hook transfixed one of the biggest mangoes on the rack. The constable pulled out his catch and put it into his pocket. He made four successful catches and as he was walking away, the *fokis* went after him.

Table Turned And Re-turned.

As the mango thief was in the uniform of the Hong Kong Police Force, the timid assistants dared not arrest him, and all they could do was to follow the constable until they met another policeman. Meanwhile the erring Indian got rid of the fruits and his own patent spearing rod. Another Indian constable was seen approaching and the *fokis* summoned his assistance to place the fruit thief under arrest. The two Indians held a short consultation and to their surprise and consternation, the *fokis* found themselves under arrest. They were accused of stealing their own fruit.

They were taken to the Police Station by the two constables, but in the presence of a European Inspector, the *fokis* were able to vindicate themselves, and the fruit eating Indian constable found the tables turned on him. He was placed under arrest and charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

"Starting Young."

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Deputy Superintendent of Police, prosecuted. Defendant denied the charge, and after hearing his version of the story, his Worship convicted him on the charge of stealing mangoes.

Mr. Wodehouse said that the defendant joined the Force in January this year, and in sentencing the man to four weeks' hard labour, his Worship remarked that the man was starting young in life.

The Rev. Kwong Liu Chuen, of the Canton Christian Council, at present the senior minister at Canton City, is lying critically ill in Kowloon Hospital. He was taken ill suddenly after preaching at one of the chapels at Kowloon the other day and had to be removed to the hospital at once. Mr. Kwong is well-known in Church circles in South China, and several times he has been moderator of Church councils in South China and has represented Canton Christians at international meetings abroad. Mr. Kwong was one time minister to Chinese Churches at San Francisco. The Company of Queen's Royal Regiment now stationed at Shamoon is to give an entertainment at the Canton Club Theatre this evening. The soldiers are producing a play called the "Other Half" and will also give a musical programme.

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A TRAM CAR FATALITY.

LITTLE GIRL KILLED.

JURY EXONERATE THE DRIVER.

At an inquest held at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the jury without retiring returned a verdict of death due to misadventure.

Choi Hiu Kam, a little Chinese girl about 10 years of age, was knocked down by No. 29 tram of the Hong Kong Tramway Co., on the 1st inst. at about 3 p.m., near the Bowring Canal in Wanchai. The little girl was taken in an unconscious condition to the Government Civil Hospital where she died the same day at 4.15 p.m.

Dr. Craig, of the Government Civil Hospital, said that the deceased was admitted into the Hospital at about 3.15 p.m. in an unconscious condition, and suffering from a fractured head and abrasions. She died the same day at 4.15 p.m., and the post-mortem held the following morning revealed that the child had died from fracture of the skull, shock, and intercranial hemorrhage.

Lau Sum, the driver of the tram which knocked the girl down, then told the Court how the accident happened. He had just passed a tram coming from the opposition direction and proceeding to West Point, when suddenly the little girl ran across the road behind the other tram. He had no time to stop, as the girl was within five feet of the tram. He immediately applied the electric emergency brake, but the left hand rail of the entrance door knocked the girl, and sent her literally spinning and she fell two feet away from the tram. The driver also noticed that the girl clutched her face when she fell. He stopped the car, picked her up, and after calling the police, was told to proceed on his way, and that the girl would be cared for. He was not going very fast at the time, and if the other tram had not passed him at the time he could have avoided the accident. As he passed the tram he kept sounding his foot-gong.

Two Eye-Witnesses.

Li Chi Hung, a licensed hawker, who was present at the time of the accident, said that he saw the little girl knocked down. She spun around twice and as she was falling the tram hit her again. He could not say which part hit the girl. He agreed that the tram was not travelling fast, but at the ordinary speed of trams. However, he did not hear the bell being sounded.

On Chiu, a coolie, said that he was waiting for the Government dirt cart to come along, when just as the two trams passed the little girl ran behind the nearest one, and was hit by the other car. The tram was not moving quickly, and he heard the bell being sounded slowly.

Brakes In Order.

Traffic Inspector Mantou, of the Hong Kong Tramway Company, said that he tested the brakes and found them to be in good order. The motor-man had been employed by the Company for over 24 years and was considered a very efficient driver.

Death By Misadventure.

The Magistrate then reviewed the evidence and the jury without retiring returned the verdict as stated, and remarked that the motor-man was in no way to blame for the accident. He had done everything possible at the moment.

KEEPING REDS "ON THE MOVE."

The anti-Red precautions continue and there are daily arrests and executions of suspects. Friends and relatives of the victims are declaring that many of the arrests are unjust and people are being punished on insufficient evidence. Some of the prisoners have had to wait in jail for more than a month before any trial. On the other hand, there is no doubt that many former bandits and pirates as well as ex-soldiers have become "Reds" simply in order to have a pretext to rob villagers. A well-known bandit, chief and former labour union delegate was caught at Locheun last Tuesday. He was a member of the Boycott Committee which enforced the boycott of trade with Hong Kong two years ago.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS.

FOKI WHO TURNED DETECTIVE.

AN ELOQUENT ORATOR FINED.

Perched on a soap-box in Hollywood Road and with an audience of about three hundred around him, a Chinese orator was discoursing. His listeners were most attentive, and at the conclusion of each harangue, they clamoured for more.

A constable came on the scene and while he admitted the orator's eloquence he felt it was his duty to put an end to it as the crowd was obstructing the public thoroughfare. He approached the speaker and gently told him to move on. The man was about to comply when his audience called for another speech. Nothing loth, the orator mounted the platform once more and began another diatribe. The constable then lost patience and took the man to the Police Station on a charge of causing an obstruction.

He was brought before Major C. Willson and when the charge was read to him, he asked the Magistrate if he could believe that a sane man like himself (defendant) would be so stupid as to ignore the order of the police? "Surely, you cannot give credit to such absurdities," he said, "the fact is that the police arrested the wrong man." Major Willson thought otherwise and fined the orator \$2.

ONE DOLLAR FOR ONE CRY.

There are men who go about uttering spurious banknotes and coins, and some simply indulge in uttering lies against their neighbours, but it remained for a hawker to be charged with uttering his own vocal power.

The accusation read that the defendant was charged with "uttering cries" in Wellington Street contrary to regulations.

The hawker was nevertheless a truthful man. He admitted that he had just uttered one cry when the police arrested him, and added that if he did not cry his wares, how could people know what he was selling. "Just one cry only," he said, "and no more."

The Magistrate, Major C. Willson, believed him and fined him \$1.

THIEF CAUGHT BY FELLOW FOKI.

Charged with the theft of \$893 in bank notes from his employer, the master of a fish shop, a *foki* admitted the offence before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy.

As stated in the *Daily Press* yesterday, a report was made to the police immediately it was discovered that the man had got away with the money on Tuesday morning. Another *foki* of the shop was so incensed at his fellow employee's behaviour that he set out on a little amateur detective work on his own and succeeded in frustrating the man's escape from the Colony by the *sat* Tsinan the same night. The *foki* found his former colleague on board shortly before the vessel was due to sail and he pointed him out to the police.

It was stated in Court that the defendant had only \$839 concealed in his girdle. Asked by the Magistrate how he spent the other \$54, defendant said that his master probably made a mistake in arriving at the total as all he spent was \$2 for an umbrella, "because it was raining," 20 cents for a handkerchief, and \$1.20 on refreshments. His Worship sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour.

DYNAMITING PIRATES!

A boatwoman was charged at the Central Magistracy with the unlawful possession of five sticks of dynamite on board her craft in Shaukiwan harbour.

The Magistrate suggested that the dynamite was intended for use for destroying fish, but the defendant stated that she kept the explosive on board as protection against pirates.

Mr. Lindsell: What nonsense, whoever heard of dynamiting pirates! Defendant was fined \$100, or six weeks' hard labour.

RETURNED BANISHEES PUNISHED.

A Chinese was brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy for entering the Colony while under banishment order for five years dating from February 1923.

Defendant pleaded guilty and his record showed that he had served two terms of imprisonment for larceny prior to his banishment.

His Worship passed sentence of six months' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch. Another man charged with a similar offence and with an equally bad record pleaded that he returned to the Colony with the intention of raising funds to send a younger brother abroad. He was banished for ten years in November, 1919.

Remarking that this was no excuse for breaking the law, his Worship passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

ALLEGED THEFTS AT NAVAL YARD.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy, a Chinese man and a woman were charged with the theft of 30 yards of canvas and 1933 brass spikes from the Naval Yard. The goods were valued at \$93.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the male defendant and asked for a remand, which was granted. In applying for bail, he suggested a small sum, but the police objected. Mr. Russ offered \$100, and afterwards raised it to \$250, but his Worship fixed the amount at \$500 on the police stating that the husband of the female defendant had already absconded.

A CAMOUFLAGE THAT FAILED.

Two coolies who attempted to smuggle a jar containing over sixteen gallons of Chinese wine at the Ping On wharf at 2.30 yesterday morning did not succeed in their purpose as a Chinese revenue officer discovered the system of camouflage which had apparently deceived searchers on previous occasions.

In charging the two men at the Central Magistracy, Chief Preventive Officer Clarke said that it was the smartest piece of smuggling detected for a long time. The jar was placed at the bottom of a large basket and covered over with spinach. Vegetables found for the Central Market were seldom, if ever, searched, as revenue men had often got into trouble for interfering with such goods.

One of the defendants pleaded that he was only a coolie and did not know that the basket contained anything but vegetables. He added that the other man knew still less as he merely assisted him in carrying the basket on being told to do so.

His Worship fined the first defendant \$100, or two months' hard labour, and the other \$50, or one month.

THEFT OF COAL.

The three Chinese workmen charged with stealing about 20 cwt. of coal, the property of the P.W.D., were brought up on remand before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

Evidence given by a Chinese detective showed that a store clerk, named Au Kau, employed by the P.W.D., suspected that the three defendants had stolen some coal and sold it to a certain tea-house. Witness went to the tea house in question and there he found two baskets of coal. From the owners he got certain information which resulted in the three men being arrested at Maichikok.

The defendants' story was to the effect that the store-keeper gave them instructions to sell the coal, which belonged to him, and promised to pay them 20 cents for every basket of coal. They did so, but before handing the money to the store-keeper, they demanded 40 cents for every basket. Au Kau, the store-keeper, refused to pay that amount. The defendants refused to accept less and kept the money spending it next day in a tea shop. Au Kau became angry and reported the matter to the Police out of revenge.

The Magistrate did not believe this story and imposed a fine of \$50 on each of the defendants, the latter being six weeks' hard labour.

BUSMEN ATTACKED.

A free fight between several Chinese and the conductor and driver of a bus, at Canton Road, on May 12th, resulted in the conductor being sent to hospital with a fractured rib while the driver received several nasty bruises. The sequel was heard in Court yesterday, when two Chiu Chau Chinese were charged before Mr. W. Schofield with assault.

It appeared that the trouble arose from a Chiu Chau boy being run over by the bus. Without stopping to make inquiries, the Chiu Chau Chinese were alleged to have attacked the two men responsible for the bus. The fight raged quite fiercely until the arrival of a squad of police from the Water Police Station.

The case was again remanded until Monday next. Bail was allowed in the sum of \$25 each.

COUNTERFEIT COIN.

Three of four men who appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on charges of being in possession of counterfeit coins, and uttering same at various shops in Stanley, were found guilty and sentenced to terms of imprisonment.

The fourth defendant was discharged as there was insufficient evidence to convict him. The four defendants are alleged to be members of a gang who are seeking to distribute counterfeit 20 cent pieces and were arrested in the act of uttering the coins at various shops in Stanley on the 13th inst.

The first two defendants, Ngai Poi and Lau Leung, were each found guilty and were sentenced to two weeks' hard labour on each of the four charges; the sentences to run consecutively.

The third defendant who also had four charges against him was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour on each charge, making a total sentence of three months' hard labour.

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Plaintiff
AND
FUNG SAU YU AND TSE
LUI CHUNG TRADING AS
THE MAN SHING HING
Defendants.
By Order of the Supreme Court.

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GERMANY OF TO-DAY.

When the history of the present era comes to be written nothing will be regarded as more remarkable than the course of the German Revolution. It has often been said that the war was forced by the military and aristocratic classes as a desperate remedy against the rising tide of Socialism which menaced their order. The cure certainly proved more disastrous than the disease. But the Revolution in Germany remains a most astonishing phenomenon. The nation appears, almost without effort, certainly without bloodshed, to have altered its whole nature. It is even becoming difficult amid the welter of new events and problems to cast the mind back to the days when German militarism overshadowed Europe, when the conquest of the world by that great empire was a grave possibility, when civilisation was liable to be thrown any day into a state of apprehension by the words and gestures of the Imperial figure who was that militarism's symbol and autocrat. It is significant that the dehumanised, drill-pergeant, at the head of that Empire has become a tedious old gentleman, reminiscent of our own George III. in his latter days. Certainly no one now wants to hang the Kaiser.

Though a small party remains loyal to the Imperial tradition and family there is much to suggest that monarchy in Germany is a lost cause, that the nation has finally renounced the multitudinous royalties to whom it was formerly devoted. It is not that there is much wrong with the royalties themselves. There are clever and ambitious men among them, notably Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, ready and able to fill a royal role. But the German people prefer their republic, and Marshal Hindenburg, a picturesque link with the past, and aptly described by Mr. Lloyd George as a "very steady old man" is an ideal president, better even than Herr Ebert, the ex-sadler, who first filled the presidential chair set up in the place of the Hohenzollern throne.

The strength of the German nation is shown by their acceptance of the facts of the present situation. The people will listen neither to communist nor jingo nonsense. They have settled down to work through the present difficulties with the knowledge that the nation is growing daily in strength and that in the end the might of a great people must tell. But it is not the old and menacing strength that is likely to be revived. The renunciation of Alsace-Lorraine is final but the same cannot be said of the eastern frontier, where the Danzig corridor cuts through German territory and where Upper Silesia is predominantly Teutonic. Modifications are, however, more likely through the League of Nations than by an appeal to arms. Equally the Colonial problem must arise, for it seems inconceivable that Germany should be permanently excluded from possession of any part of the vast undeveloped places of the world.

Germany is building upon the very sure foundations of economic wealth, energy and traditional thoroughness, without the old weakness of a bluster that provoked a reaction of world wide hostility. Germany's future is likely to be greater than her past. A nation cannot be held down artificially. Her greatness, if not met with suspicion and repression, is more likely to be of advantage than danger to the world. Germany will probably have to resume her role as the main guardian of Europe against the militant and semi-alien power of Russia.

During the absence on leave of Mr. J. E. Henry, Mr. H. G. Mende will be Manager of the Hong Kong Branch of Messrs. Reuters, Ltd.

A destitute Chinese was found by the police in Canton Road in a state of collapse, due to hunger. The police had the man removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

Mr. P. Castilho, secretary of the "Wo" billiard team, informs us that his team, and not the Catholic Union Club, lost in the recent match against the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

A report was made to the police by the manager of the Tai Sun Barber's shop, of Hollywood Road, that a *foi* absconded on May 2nd taking with him two electric fans, valued at \$30.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese youth was fined \$4 for riding a bicycle on the wrong side of Salisbury Road. Another who was caught in the night riding without a light was fined \$3.

A report has been made to the Police by Mit Singh, an Indian living at the Sikh Temple, that on Tuesday night someone stole the sum of \$52 from him while he was asleep. On making enquiries the complainant found that another Indian, Arjan Singh, was missing.

The Chinese Athletic Association is giving a dinner in honour of its football team at the Yee Wo Restaurant to-morrow night.

Two cases of diphtheria, one British and one Chinese were reported on Wednesday. There was also one Chinese case of typhoid.

The St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club have this year secured a club bathing shed at Repulse Bay. This is to be formally opened on Empire Day (next Thursday) at 3.30 p.m. by Mrs. C. R. Duppuy.

Henry Catchick (34), third engineer of the s.s. *Hong Ping* which arrived in Hong Kong yesterday has been taken to the Government Civil Hospital for observation. He is a British subject and a Native of Rangoon.

According to a police report, a Chinese widow living at Ngau She Wan attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the sea from the Kai Tak Bund. She was rescued and sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

The Committee of the Naval and Military branch of the Y.M.C.A. announces that their new premises in the City Hall will be opened by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), on Thursday, May 24th, at 6 p.m.

Advance booking is now open at the Queen's Theatre for the big French production of Victor Hugo's "Les Misérables," which will be screened from Tuesday to Saturday of next week. The special times for performances (only three a day) and the prices of admission are advertised elsewhere in this issue.

KIDNAPPED FROM CANTON?

"ELOPES" TO CANTON WITH YOUNG GIRL.

FOLLOWED BY AN ANGRY SISTER.

A Chinese who said that he was an actor, was arrested and taken to the Central Police Station last night on the complaint of a Chinese girl, who said that the defendant had kidnapped her younger sister and brought her from Canton. The complainant is stated to be an actress in a Theatrical Company in Canton. The complainant said that the defendant had been arrested in Canton on a charge of kidnapping, but with the aid of a chop from a Chinese firm, he obtained bail, and escaped to Hong Kong.

However, before his departure he wrote a letter to the complainant's younger sister saying that he had a "good fortune" in store for her in Hong Kong and persuaded her to accompany him. They left for Hong Kong on the morning train, but unknown to them they were followed by the complainant in another carriage. She shadowed them in Hong Kong where they took a room in a boarding house. The complainant then called a Chinese constable and a district watchman and had the defendant brought to the Police Station.

Sgt. Fitches who took charge of the case, sent a Chinese detective to bring the "young sister" to the Police Station. It is understood that the defendant will be brought up at the Central Magistracy this morning.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS CALENDAR.

ONLY THREE CASES FOR THIS MAY.

There are only three cases in the calendar for the Criminal Sessions which will commence on Monday. Two of these cases will be tried by the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan. The prisoners are Li Hong, charged with having moulds for coining in his possession, and Kong Lau Yuen, who is charged with being armed and assaulting a person with the intent to rob.

The acting Police Judge, Mr. P. Jacks, will hear the case against Chan Shing, who is separately charged with returning from banishment and also with committing burglary and larceny.

OBITUARY.

SIR EDMUND GOSSE.

A GREAT CRITIC.

All students of literature will regret to learn of the death of Sir Edmund Gosse, the world famous critic and biographer, at the age of 79.

Sir Edmund Gosse has been intimately connected with literature, and more especially with the earlier literature of the English language, for his whole life. As early as 1867 he was an assistant Librarian at the British Museum, and at other times during his long life he held such posts as Librarian to the House of Lords, Clark Lecturer in English Literature at Trinity College, Cambridge, and President of the English Association.

His numerous honours and decorations, from all the Scandinavian countries as well as from his own native land, serve to emphasise the depth of his learning, his wide interests, and his unfailing sense of judgment. But wide as his knowledge was of

JAPAN'S KEEN INTEREST IN MANCHURIA.

CHANG TSO LIN'S MANDATE AGAINST FENG.

FAMINE THREAT IN TSINAN.

CRITICAL POSITION OF PEKING.

Japan is prepared to take strong action to prevent disturbances spreading to Manchuria. She is considering the advisability of sending troops to Shanhaiwan, the city which stands at the end of the Great Wall, which would give Japan command of the bottle neck passage to the North. The Government is considering whether they will take steps to prevent any armed troops, whether Northerners or Southerners, from passing this point. There are also reports from the vernacular press that she is planning to let the Northern army through, and then to refuse passage to the Southerners, thus dividing the combatants.

Meanwhile Japan is sending many reinforcements to Tientsin and Peking, diverting some of the Nagoya division which was on its way to Tainan and withdrawing other troops from Shantung. Japanese women and children have been removed from Peking to Dairen.

Marshal Chang Tso Lin has issued a mandate stating that he finds it necessary to continue the campaign against the Christian General, Feng Yu Hsiang, as his suggestions for a cessation of hostilities and a voluntary withdrawal of the Northerners have been taken as a sign of weakness rather than as a patriotic gesture. He is willing to come to terms with all other generals, but considers that it is necessary to fight the communists with whom Feng Yu Hsiang is in league.

It is considered in Peking that the object of this mandate is to hearten the troops, rather than to indicate any definite line of action.

Peking is seriously threatened by the Shansi forces under General Yen Shih Shan. Some reports state that Paoting has fallen and that the Shansi vanguard is within seven miles of Peking. It appears that the Northerners are making desperate efforts to hold up the advance of the armies of Feng and Shansi at Wangtu, south of Paoting.

CHANG TSO LIN'S MANDATE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 17th. Marshal Chang Tso Lin is issuing a punitive mandate against Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang, declaring that he evidently wants to continue the civil war. The Nationalists have erroneously taken Chang Tso Lin's suggestion for a cessation of hostilities and a voluntary withdrawal of the Northerners as a sign of weakness.

Chang Tso Lin declares that he has unquestionable evidence that Feng Yu Hsiang sent agents to stir up anti-foreign feeling among Chang Tso Lin's commanders. Therefore, he has decided that an expedition is necessary in order to complete the campaign against the communists with whom Feng Yu Hsiang is in league.

With the exception of Feng Yu Hsiang, Chang Tso Lin expresses willingness to come to terms with all his opponents. It is considered in Peking that the main purpose of the mandate is to hearten the troops. It is unlikely that the expedition will come off except as a counter-attack to cover the Fengtien retreat to Manchuria.

NORTHERN COUNTER-ATTACK.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, May 17th. A message from Peking states that Marshal Chang Tso Lin is preparing to take advantage of a lack of preparation by Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang to launch an offensive along the Peking-Hankow line.

It is stated that the offensive will be conducted under the direction of General Yang Yu Ping, the Chief of Staff, and General Chang Hsueh Liang, Chang Tso Lin's son. The Northern leaders have already left for Paotingfu.

Meanwhile, another despatch says that the Mukden commander, General Wu Chung Sheng, who is at present at Shanhaiwan with a large body of troops, has been instructed to withdraw most of his force to Mukden.

NO RUMOURS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEKING, May 17th. A proclamation threatens dire penalties to persons spreading rumours of Northern defeats or of the departure of Fengtien officials from the capital.

CONTRADICTORY REPORTS.

The Nationalist News Agency claims that Shansi forces captured Paotingfu on May 14th, after which Chodow, famous for the lengthy siege in the autumn, was taken by a surprise attack.

The Shansi vanguards are reported to have reached Changniukou, 7 miles south-west of Peking. On the other hand Reuters at Peking wires that the Fengtien were still holding the defence line Paotingfu, Hokienu, Tangchow on Tuesday.

Fighting is going on at Wangtu, south of Paotingfu. Where the Northerners are attempting to hold up the armies of Shansi and Feng Yu Hsiang.

FEARS FOR MANCHURIA.

JAPAN READY FOR ACTION.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Tokyo, May 17th.

Taking into consideration yesterday's Cabinet decision, the comments in official quarters and Press reports give every indication that Japan is prepared to act at a moment's notice to prevent disturbances spreading to Manchuria.

It is understood that the Government contemplates the despatch of troops from Korea if necessary. It is further considering issuing a statement to the Powers, fully explaining the circumstances.

JAPANESE PLANS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Tokyo, May 18th.

The Cabinet after studying the reports from North China of various military operations and movements, has come to the conclusion that the foreign garrison at Peking and Tientsin is sufficient to cope with the present situation.

The Cabinet has, however, decided to divert part of the Nagoya Division from Tsingtao, if necessary, and also that the utmost must be done to prevent the disturbances spreading to Manchuria.

In order to maintain order in Manchuria, it is understood that the Cabinet is now considering taking steps to refuse passage to armed troops, whether they be Northerners or Southerners, through Shanhaiwan.

Realising the difficulty of preventing the passage of troops, the Government is also considering the despatch of reinforcements to Shanhaiwan, if necessary.

BLOCKING THE ROAD?

[Wah Ts Yat Pao.]

SHANGHAI, May 17th.

According to a reliable report the Japanese Government intends to take up a position at Shanhaiwan, a strategic point at the terminus of the Great Wall and the main route to Manchurian territory, as a necessary step to safeguard Manchuria from any threat of war.

MARCHING INTO WANHSIEN.

STEAMERS HELD UP.

YANGTZE, May 16th.

Messages received through Naval Wireless state that a considerable force is marching into Wanhsien. They have arrived at a point about 50 miles above the town.

Steamers belonging to the Yangtze Rapids Company have been held up at Wanhsien. They were compelled to discharge their cargo. There is no change on the middle and lower river.

PREPARATIONS IN PEKING.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEKING, May 17th.

An official announcement states that at least 3,000 Japanese troops are coming to Tientsin. Probably 1,000 of these will go to Peking which will bring up the Japanese force there to 1,500.

A special train on Saturday will take all Japanese women and children to Taku, where they will board a special steamer for Dairen.

Shantung Force Reduced.

Tokyo, May 17th.

In view of increasing uneasiness in Peking and Tientsin, instructions have been issued to the Nagoya Division to divert a regiment of infantry and a battery of artillery from Tsingtao to Tientsin. An air squadron has been ordered from Japan for the same destination for the protection of residents.

At the same time, owing to fear of disturbances spreading to Manchuria, the infantry brigade which was sent on May 4th to Shantung from Dairen has been ordered to return whence it came. Thus the force available in Shantung has been reduced by about 5,500.

Statement To Rival Generals.

Tokyo, May 17th.

The Government has instructed the Minister at Peking and the Consul General at Nanking to deliver statements to Marshals Chang Tso Lin and Chiang Kai Shek. The documents are understood to be a warning that Japan is unable to countenance any operation endangering Japanese life or property.

A full statement will be published to-morrow, but in the meantime diplomatic representatives of the Foreign Powers at Tokyo have been invited to the Foreign Office, where Japan's motive has been explained for the purpose of obtaining understanding.

SPANISH DANCER MURDERED.

INFATUATED LOVER'S CRIME.

"LIFE WAS USELESS."

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, May 17th.

Maria Montero, the gifted young Spanish dancer, has been murdered in her apartment in the fashionable Rodin Studios. The tragedy followed a violent quarrel with an infatuated Argentinian, called Horatio Columbras, whose attentions she had repeatedly rejected.

The police found Maria dead and Horatio, shot through the head, lying alongside her. He was able to retain consciousness long enough to say, "she did not love me, so life was useless."

PREMIER ON COTTON CRISIS.

REDUCTIONS IN STEEL TRADE.

A "GET TOGETHER" POLICY.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

London, May 18th.

In view of the critical condition of the cotton industry, great importance was attached to a speech by the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, at a luncheon under the auspices of the British Cotton-Growing Association in Manchester to-day.

The luncheon was attended by five hundred members of the Association and by representatives of banking institutions in Lancashire and other parts of the North of England.

Mr. Baldwin, in the course of his speech, referred to the great possibilities in Africa, and elsewhere in the Empire, for cotton-growing and for the purchasing of British goods.

Referring to the depression in the steel trade, the Premier mentioned that for every shilling he had when he took office, he had something under a penny to-day.

Lord Derby, who presided, said the whole industry must be reconstructed and new capital brought in.

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AEROPLANES OF THE FUTURE.

DECREASE OF FUSELAGE.

WINGS SEVEN FEET THICK.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Philadelphia, May 17th.

Henry Ford and Charles Lawrence, inventor of the Wright "Whirlwind" motor, has been presented with medals in recognition of their achievements by the Franklin Institute.

Mr. Lawrence in his address predicted the coming of swifter, safer bigger aeroplanes, with living and sleeping apartments. The passengers would be housed in the wings, which would be seven feet thick, while the fuselage would shrink to a fraction of the present size.

The planes of the would be so large that it would be possible for mechanics to repair an engine during flight.

Mr. Ford predicted the discovery of a new fuel lighter than petrol.

FOREIGN NATIONALS IN PERSIA.

AGREEMENTS SIGNED.

TREATIES TO FOLLOW.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Tehran, May 17th.

The provisional agreements arising from Persia's denunciation of the treaties with France and the United States, under which French and American nationals enjoyed capitulation rights, were signed on Monday.

A similar agreement with Germany was signed on Tuesday and with Belgium yesterday, while agreements will shortly be signed with Italy and Czechoslovakia.

All agreements are to remain in force till fresh treaties can be arranged.

SUGAR INDUSTRY AND LEAGUE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Geneva, May 17th.

The Consultative Economic Committee has appointed a sub-committee, over which Sir Atul Chatterjee will preside to enquire into the sugar question.

The Government supporters now total 70, as against ten of the Opposition and eight Independents. The main issue before the country was the new Army Bill, dealing with the Defence Force and Conscription.

The supporters of the Bill contend that Conscription is necessary to render Iraq more independent of outside help than is at present possible.

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ANGLO-AMERICAN TREATY.

RENEWAL IMPOSSIBLE.

A MATTER OF NO CONSEQUENCE.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Washington, May 16th.

The American Government has found it impossible to accept the suggestion from London to extend the Bryce-Root arbitration treaty for a few months beyond June 4th.

The *Herald-Tribune* which is responsible for this report asserts that Sir Esme Howard, the British Ambassador, informed Mr. Kellogg that the British Government did not agree in all respects with the provisions of Mr. Kellogg's draft treaty, submitted by the U.S. Government in December last.

With reference to this report, it is stated that under the American Constitution it is impossible to extend the Root Arbitration Treaty without the sanction of the Senate, which cannot possibly be obtained before June 4th.

There will probably be a short interval between the expiration of the old Treaty and the coming into force of the new Treaty, which is being negotiated.

No Consequences.

A Reuter representative was informed at the State Department that Mr. Kellogg regards this matter of the extension of the Bryce-Root Arbitration Treaty as one of small consequence.

He considers that Britain and the United States can very well get along for a few months without any such treaty, until full agreement has been reached by the British Government with the Dominions. The British Embassy endorses this view.

CHINESE MISSION IN BERLIN.

TO INSPECT INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Berlin, May 17th.

A Chinese Mission of seventeen members, headed by Mr. C. H. Kwo, President of the East China Railways, has arrived to inspect industrial enterprises and confer with financial and commercial circles.

CRASH ON U.S. STOCK EXCHANGE.

SENSATIONAL REACTION.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, May 16th.

All trading records on the New York Stock Exchange were broken to-day by a sensational reaction which cut down or wiped out most of the early gains of from \$5 to \$30, and sent a number of issues crashing from \$5 to \$20 below last night's quotations.

The reaction was based upon the widespread fears that speculation was becoming excessive and that the Federal Reserve authorities are about to take further drastic measures to restrict the credit supply.

The Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank has announced an increase in the rediscount rate to 4½ per cent, and similar action is hourly expected in the New York Federal Reserve Bank.

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INTERVENTION IN CHINA.

LORD PARMOUR CALLS FOR ACTION.

BRITAIN'S POSITION STATED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

London, May 16th.

Accusations by the Labour Members that the British Government was proceeding in a dilatory manner in connection with the appeal of the Nanking Government to the League of Nations, were strongly denied in the House of Commons.

Mr. C. Locker-Lampson sought to impress upon the critics that the Government must await the decision of the Secretary-General of the League, upon whom the duty devolved of taking action.

In reply to further question, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said that, while the Government was anxious to see the re-establishment of peace, any attempt at mediation at present would result in a very delicate position, and would probably be misinterpreted.

Therefore such a step could not be taken except after a definite invitation from both sides. He was not aware what action was being taken by the officials of the League in connection with the appeal from Nanking.

In the circumstances, it was premature to consider what instructions it was necessary to give to the British representative at Geneva.

The Southern Advance. Mr. Locker-Lampson said that it was certainly not our intention to oppose the Southern advance upon Peking. We should only take care to see that the troops did not enter the Legation quarter.

Commander Keenworthy said that the usual and most convenient way to Peking was via Tientsin. If the Nationalists are held away from Tientsin they cannot advance.

The Speaker then intervened and said that the question must be put on the paper.

Protecting Nationals. Mr. Locker-Lampson later said that communications had been received from Tientsin regarding the question of affording protection to foreign residents in Tientsin and Peking. There had, however, been no mention of taking military measures on the Tientsin-Pukow and Peking-Mukden Railways.

Calling In The League. The matter was also taken up by Lord Parmour, the Labour Peer, in the House of Lords. He sought information regarding China from Lord Cusendun, who replied that a considerable time ago, Sir Austen Chamberlain had informally inquired of various sources to ascertain whether any suggestion as regards "invoking the League" of Nations would be acceptable.

It was a mistake to suppose that Sir Austen had allowed the state of affairs in China to go on for so long without considering whether the League of Nations could take any part in bringing about peace, but there was no such thing as a Government in China.

Added Difficulties. Sir Austen had received absolutely no encouragement, and it was made clear to him that such a proposal would at present meet with no success, while it might even add to the difficulties of the situation.

The Nanking Political Committee had addressed a telegram to the League of Nations asking the machinery of the League to be applied in the Tientsin Incident, but the Political Committee was not a member of the League.

No Locus Standi. Lord Cusendun, who is the British representative on the Council of the League of Nations, pointed out that Article Eleven provided for definite procedure in regard to an appeal.

It must be presumed that the Secretary-General and the President would now consider the position, but he did not think that the British Government had any locus standi of any kind to interfere at the present moment in support of the application.

Back Up Nanking. Lord Parmour pleaded strongly in favour of Britain backing up the Nanking telegram to Geneva, and contended that by so doing the technical difficulty would disappear.

Lord Cusendun said that in one sense an international quarrel might at present exist between Japan and Nanking but after all, Japan was a Member of the League, and clearly the British Government could not treat the Japanese Government as such a rough and ready way as Lord Parmour implied.

He warned Lord Parmour that if the spiteful chaos in China could be overcome, Britain would not be deterred by a technicality.

FAMOUS FILM STAR WEDS.

ADOLPHE MENJOU'S AMERICAN BRIDE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Paris, May 16th.

The Mairie 16th Arrondissement was the scene of the wedding of the film star, Adolphe Menjou, and Miss Kathryn Carver, to-day.

The previous marriages of both bride and bridegroom were dissolved last year. The bride was formerly the wife of a New York Society photographer.

LAWN BOWLS.

NOTES AND PROSPECTS FOR TO-MORROW.

POSITION OF THE TEAMS.

Two teams in each Division of the Lawn Bowls League have gained maximum points in the games played so far and their doings will be watched with interest to-morrow.

In the Senior Division, Craigen-gower had the distinction last Saturday of breaking the Kowloon Dock's unique record of thirteen successive victories, the winners' team being that which defeated the Bowling Green across the harbour the previous week. Although Craigen-gower played on their own ground, the visitors were at no disadvantage and indeed at one time looked good for a win. This was when Bass's rink (which had to be again "carried") started to fade away and Lapsley, reduced by Bradbury's running lead considerably. Just as Lapsley was getting the upper hand, a three and a five for the homesters seemed to alter the whole game and his efforts, ably backed by Cullen, proved of no avail. Bradbury's two leading partners showed remarkable precision in their rolling, placing where the woods should be, and this largely contributed to the fall of the visitors on this rink by the large margin of 15 shots.

In marked contrast to this success was the poor account given by the Craigen-gower seconds on the Bowling Green Club's ground. According to a visiting player, the ground deceived them and only the homesters understood its vagaries. Then there was the array of blooms which seemed to distract the attention of visitors who come to play bowls and care little for floral beauty! And these excuses on a ground which gave the Craigen-gower senior team the spoils only the previous week! True, there was a "Warren" but no rabbit holes were in sight.

To-morrow's Programme.

The table given below will indicate the position of the teams to date and serve as a guide to to-morrow's games. All teams are engaged in the League with the exception of the Kowloon Bowling Green seniors and Craigen-gower juniors.

In the senior games, chief interest will be at Tai-koo where the Craigen-gower C.C. will travel with set purpose to smash the other Dock. Tai-koo were runners-up last season, and although not possessing a strong team and suffering from last Saturday's defeat by the Police, they will give the visitors a good game.

The Kowloon Dock R.C. receive the Civil Service C.C. and should have no difficulty in accounting for the visitors. The Police play Kowloon C.C. away and should return with the spoils. A close game is predicted.

In the Second Division, the East Point R.C., who have won both their games, will be at home to the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. Both appear to be at even strength and the match should be interesting apart from the advantage which will accrue to the home team should they continue their run of successes.

Another interesting game should be seen at King's Park with the Club de Recreio striving to repeat their previous week's success when they met the Tai-koo R.C. Following the example of their senior team who drew with the Bowling Green on the same day last season, the Tai-koo seconds draw with the Club de Recreio at 90 shots each. If anything the Recreio "A" team is slightly stronger this season and should do better than fifth position.

In the remaining games the Yacht Club are at home to the Kowloon C.C., and the Recreio "B" team are visitors of the Civil Service C.C. at the Valley.

POSITION TO DATE.

Division I.

	M.	Pts.	For.	Ag.
Craigen-gower	2	4	131	110
Kowloon C.C.	1	2	68	51
Kowloon Dock	2	2	120	116
Bowling Green	2	2	120	121
Police	2	2	117	191
Tai-koo	1	0	48	64
Civil Service	2	0	104	131

Division II.

	M.	Pts.	For.	Ag.
East Point	2	4	127	120
Tai-koo	2	2	60	48
Civil Service	1	2	64	53
Bowling Green	2	2	101	102
Craigen-gower	2	2	101	114
Recreio "A"	2	2	142	118
Recreio "B"	2	2	107	117
Kowloon C.C.	2	0	93	124
Yacht Club	2	0	56	120

TENNIS LEAGUE.

CHINESE R.C. AGAIN.

CRAIGENGOWER BADLY BEATEN.

In the League Match in the "B" Division yesterday, the Chinese Recreation Club beat the Craigen-gower Cricket Club on their opponents' courts at Happy Valley by a wide margin of 43 games. The visitors proved altogether too strong and won all nine sets, securing a total of 73 games. C. Choa and H. Lo had a 11-0 set to their credit.

A. Hamson and E. Zimmermann (C.C.C.)	
lost to C. Choa and H. Lo	3-8
lost to Lau Man Ching and Yu Tak Cheuk	5-6
lost to Kwok Po Kun and Chau Wah Po	3-8
	11-29

A. Kelly and G. Lai (C.C.C.)	
lost to C. Choa and H. Lo	3-8
lost to Lau Man Ching and Yu Tak Cheuk	3-8
lost to Kwok Po Kun and Chau Wah Po	2-9
	8-25

H. J. Howard and W. J. Howard (C.C.C.)	
lost to C. Choa and H. Lo	0-11
lost to Lau Man Ching and Yu Tak Cheuk	3-8
lost to Kwok Po Kun and Chau Wah Po	5-6
	8-25

Total: Craigen-gower 27; Chinese R.C. 72.

H. G. WELLS REVEALS HIS LOVE STORY.

COURTSHIP OF HIS WIFE IN A CLASSROOM.

FRANK MEMOIRS.

How Mr. H. G. Wells wooed his late wife in the atmosphere of a biological class-room, between conversations about frogs and rabbits, is one of the many intimate domestic details the famous writer reveals in his introduction to a book that he has compiled of the late Mrs. Wells' short stories and poems ("The Book of Catherine Wells," Chatto and Windus, 7s. 6d.).

He has, in this introduction, revealed the story of his marriage with unhesitating frankness. He has drawn word-pictures of the various phases of their life together, and has etched his wife's charm of personality with subtle attraction.

"I have put forth this book," he explains, "under the name of Catherine Wells of set intention; it was the name she used invariably in her writings, but it was not her full name (which was Amy Catherine), nor was it the name by which she was best known to her friends. I had thrust upon her, and she had been ready and willing to wear for everyday use and our common purposes, a congenial presentation of herself that we had christened 'Jane.'"

Mr. Wells describes their first meeting. He was conducting a cramming class in biology for candidates for the London Bachelor of Science examinations. Miss Robbins, as she was then, came to the classes in deep mourning for her father, who had been killed in a railway accident.

I thought her then a very sweet and valiant little figure, indeed, with her schoolgirl's satchel of books and a very old-fashioned unwieldy microscope some one had lent her, and I soon came to think her the most wonderful thing in my life.

Our friendship grew swiftly beyond the bounds of friendship, and I was amazed to find that she could care for me as much as I did for her. I do not think either of us expected to live ten years. But we meant to live every minute there was for us to live. We were the most desperate of lovers; we launched ourselves upon our life together with less than 250 between us and absolute disaster, and we pulled through. We never begged nor borrowed, and we worked and paid our way into a position of security and then to real prosperity.

And I seem to remember now that we did it with a very great deal of gaiety.

They had two sons, and Mr. Wells relates that she fought for the life of the first of them and for her own life for more than four and twenty dreadful hours. It was then, he believes, that the seed of her death was sown in her.

Differences. Mr. Wells describes their slow discovery of the profound temperamental differences between them.

(Continued on next column)

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.

ENTRIES FOR MAY 20th.

The fifth extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held on Saturday, May 20th. The following are the entries:

GREEN ISLAND HANDICAP "A" CLASS, 6 FURLONGS.—Boxing Eve, One Third, Peck, San Diego, New Year's Eve, Fifty Fifty, Blackstone Hall, Duke of Burgundy, Fuji Stag (late The Trial Bird), Duke of Verona, Glory, Chama, Wuchang, Aristophanes, Caesar, Warrington, Chow Tze Lon.

GREEN ISLAND HANDICAP "B" CLASS, 6 FURLONGS.—Mowgli, Sunning, Warlord, Kom, Tong Hall, Spinner, Tangle, Erastus, As You Like It, Full Moon, Man of War, Festive Eve, Boukka, The Zebra, Tazara, Fair Eyes, May, Ben Bur, Bright Prospect, Chatto, Damaged Goods, Tarmacadam, Nara Stag, Grey Knight.

GREEN ISLAND HANDICAP "C" CLASS, 6 FURLONGS.—Fanning Stag, Zin, Isotacy, Westlake, Ullswater, Castle, Tartar, Skipper, Northern Stag, Fire Call, Ace of Spades, Harlene, Copper Mine, Fook Shan, Duke of Nieblung, Wine Boy, King Constantine, Waidow, Silver Fox, Siang River, Rupert.

LANTAO HANDICAP "A" CLASS, 1 MILE.—Boxing Eve, One Third, Peck, San Diego, Fifty Fifty, Blackstone Hall, Duke of Burgundy, Fuji Stag (late The Trial Bird), Glory, Chama, Wuchang, Caesar, Warrington, Chow Tze Lon.

LANTAO HANDICAP "B" CLASS, 1 MILE.—Mowgli, Sunning, Kom Tong Hall, Spinner, Tangle, Erastus, As You Like It, Full Moon, Man of War, Festive Eve, Boukka, The Zebra, Tazara, Fair Eyes, May, Bright Prospect, Chatto, Damaged Goods, Tarmacadam, Nara Stag, Grey Knight.

LANTAO HANDICAP "C" CLASS, 1 MILE.—Zin, Isotacy, Westlake, Fanning Stag, Ullswater, Castle, Tartar, Skipper, Northern Stag, Fire Call, Southgate (late Liberty Hall), Ace of Spades, Harlene, Copper Mine, Fook Shan, Duke of Nieblung, Wine Boy, Silver Fox, Movanagher, Little River, Rupert.

BEAUFORT HANDICAP "A" CLASS, 1 1/2 MILES.—Boxing Eve, One Third, Peck, San Diego, New Year's Eve, Fifty Fifty, Blackstone Hall, Chama, Wuchang, Caesar, Warrington.

BEAUFORT HANDICAP "B" CLASS, 1 1/2 MILES.—Mowgli, Sunning, Warrington, Kom Tong Hall, Spinner, Tangle, Erastus, As You Like It, Full Moon, Man of War, Tazara, Fair Eyes, Bright Prospect, Grey Knight, Skipper, Fanning Stag, Wine Boy, Little River.

and of the problems created by these differences.

Fundamental to my wife's nature was a passion for happiness and lovely things. She worshipped beauty. For her beauty was something very definite, a precious jewel to be discovered and treasured. For me beauty is incidental, so surely a part of things that one need not be directly concerned about it.

I am a far less stable creature than she was, with a driving quality that holds my instabilities together. I have more drive than strength, and little patience; I am hasty and incompetent about much of the detailed business of life because I put too large a proportion of my available will and energy into issues that dominate me. I have to overwork, with all the penalties of overworking in loss of grace and finish, to get my work done. In all this we were in the complete contrast, and inevitably we strained against each other.

Death was drawing near to her for five months, but its first intimation came as a absolute surprise. They returned from a visit to Paris, and Mrs. Wells seemed a little out of sorts. Neither thought that there was anything seriously wrong with her. Mr. Wells went abroad again for a motoring holiday, after making her promise to see a doctor.

My elder son departed to France also, on his honeymoon. We came back post haste to the telegram of my younger son. She had gone through an exploratory operation without letting me know anything of its nature, and the surgeons had discovered that she had inoperable cancer that left her hardly six months more to live.

She knew that quite clearly when I returned to her. She had questioned the doctors and obliged them to tell her. Seeing that they seemed sorry, they told me, she did her best to comfort them. "I know you cannot help it," she said. "There is nothing for you to be unhappy about."

She grew weaker, but put all her affairs in order clearly and methodically, and was careful not to look haggard or distressing to those about her. She dressed with care.

THE CUP FINAL.

WHAT HAPPENED TO MERCER?

THINKING OF HIS HAND-SHAKE WITH THE KING!

[BY TRAYLOR C. WIGNALL]

This year's Cup Final between Blackburn Rovers and Huddersfield at Wembley will remain memorable chiefly because the result was placed practically beyond doubt in the first minute of the game. This was due to the fact that for a few moments Mercer, the Huddersfield goalkeeper, seemed incapable of movement.

Play had scarcely begun when the ball was kicked hard to Mercer, who had run out from the goal line. He gathered the ball well, but instead of getting rid of it at once, he stood still and allowed Roescamp, the Rovers' centre forward, to knock him off his balance. As Mercer was flung round by the charge he lost the ball and to the consternation of the Huddersfield supporters it sailed into the net.

The question most people were asking that night was this: What actually happened to Mercer during the seconds when he held the ball to his chest and looked straight at Roescamp? Did he nerve desert him? Or was he wool-gathering, thinking, for example, of the occasion a moment or so earlier when he shook hands with the King?

The last theory seemed to find most support, for it was obvious that Mercer was in a dazed state as he rushed out to catch the ball, as he was bundled off his feet, and for some time after the highly dramatic goal had been scored. Mercer had plenty of time to get rid of the ball, but the plain fact is that he did not make the smallest attempt to do so.

A Curious Parallel.

It is a curious circumstance that in last year's final between Cardiff City and the Arsenal the biggest thrill was also supplied by a goalkeeper, Lewis, of the Arsenal. It will be remembered that on the goal-line he sank to his knees to have a shot. As in the case of Mercer, he took the ball only to permit it to skim out of his arms and trickle against the net. That was the goal that made Cardiff the victors, and there is not a doubt that Mercer's forgetfulness—or whatever it was—the episode that gave Blackburn their victory.

In any case, Huddersfield were so completely knocked out of their stride that in the first half in particular they could scarcely do a thing right.

MERCER EXPLAINS.

"IT WAS A MISTAKE."

Mercer said to a *Daily Mail* reporter:

It was a terrible experience, and the most disappointing in my career. The whole thing happened in seconds. I was not in the least nervous. Roescamp's shot was a dropping one and I thought, as most of our team did, that it was a "catching" ball.

Ordinarily it is the golden rule of goalkeeping never to hold a ball if it can be safely got rid of by punching away. In a flash I saw two white shirts—my own defenders, Goodall and Wilson—and I concluded that they would protect me against attack. I had no sooner touched the ball—or so it seemed to me—than Roescamp dashed straight into me. His head struck me in the mouth and broke part of a tooth, cracked the upper denture, and cut my lip. I was knocked over, and the ball went across the line.

It was a mistake, the sort of mistake that it is difficult for a team to get over, but I thought, and still think, that it should not have been possible for me to be charged—I don't blame anybody, of course. During my whole career I have not experienced another goal under similar circumstances or so soon after the start.

It is all in the luck of the game, and it is no use complaining about mistakes.—*Daily Mail*.

GOLF.

1,000 GUINEAS TOURNAMENT.

FAILURES OF LEADING PLAYERS.

In the 36 holes qualifying round of the One Thousand Guinea Professional Golf Tournament, a number of well known players failed to survive.

Nothing over 151 was good enough, and the following were among those who failed:—L. Nabholz (U.S.A.), Abe Mitchell, Alex. Herd and Arthur Havers, all with 152, W. Melhorn (U.S.A.) 153, and J. Jurado (of the Argentine, 155).

DERBY FAVOURITE WINS.

VICTORY IN NEWMARKET STAKES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Ruxley, May 16th. Lord Derby's Fairplay, which is favourite for the Derby, won the Newmarket Stakes to-day, over one mile and a quarter, easily by two lengths. The Duke of Portland's Wheeler was second and a horse of Lord Lansdale was third.

WOMAN AND ALLEGED FORGED NOTE.

"I DON'T WANT FINGER-PRINTS TAKEN."

MAGISTRATE'S OPINION: "QUITE A TOLERABLE" SPECIMEN.

When a woman was charged at Clerkenwell with being in possession of a forged £10 Bank of England note and also with uttering the note and obtaining £10, Mr. Pope, the magistrate, examined the note through a powerful lens. He remarked:

"It is quite a tolerable forgery. It is a long time since I fingered one."

The woman was Nellie Lee, and her age was given as 40. It was stated that she had refused to state her address or occupation.

Detective-sergeant Thomas Lloyd said that he saw her at Caledonian-road, Police Station. He told her of the charges against her. After being cautioned, she said:—

Last Wednesday I met a man who told me to put a pound on a dog named Whelk. It came home at five to one. He gave me a £10 note and his address, and told me to send the change on to him. I have lost his address. I am not going to tell you any more.

One Note And Three Charges.

When the charges were read over to her she asked for them to be read again, and asked if the three charges referred only to the one note.

When told that they did she replied: "All right."

Later she said, "I don't want my finger prints taken and I don't want bail. Leave me alone."

The officer said that the note had been tendered to the postmistress at a post office in Caledonian-road. The accused woman asked for postal orders up to the amount of £10. She obtained them and the postmistress, on examining the note closely a few minutes later, discovered it was a forgery.

The woman was remanded in custody.

WOMAN DODGES SUBPOENA.

SHERIFFS BESIEGE A COLLEGE.

WON'T TESTIFY AGAINST STEPMOTHER.

New York.

Tennyson in "The Princess" did not invent a more delightful situation than that which has been created at the Middlebury College for Women, in the State of Vermont.

A close siege of the college is being undertaken by six sheriffs, deputy-sheriffs, and subpoena servers who seek to serve Miss Clara Blanche Knapp, a teacher of home economics, with a little slip of paper which will oblige her to appear as a witness in the trial of her stepmother, Mrs. Florence Knapp.

Miss Knapp refuses to accept the subpoena, apparently not being anxious to be witness against her relative, who was recently indicted by a grand jury on charges of malfeasance of public funds when she was Census Comptroller-in-Chief for the State of New York.

Miss Knapp in her flouting of the law is closely supported by the college students and teachers, and the Rev. Dr. Paul Moody, president of the college, has quietly informed the State Attorney: "I will neither hinder nor help your service."

In her dormitory rooms the willing prisoner enjoys all the meals she desires. Loyal friends convey broiled steaks, pies, ice creams, and chocolate to her. At her elbow is a telephone which keeps her in constant touch with the outside world.

Throughout one night officers of the law maintained a close watch, despite the coldness of the weather. They were aided by searchlights which played upon the dormitory building to ensure that their prisoner should not escape like a thief in the night.

WHITE, MAHARANI WINS A LAWSUIT.

MAHARAJAH TO PAY \$1,100 A YEAR.

PATNA, April 18th.

An Australian girl, formerly Miss Elsie Caroline Thompson, an actress who became the wife according to Hindu rites of the Maharajah of Tikari, has won her case for maintenance against her husband.

The maharajah pleaded that the marriage was not lawful in accordance with Hindu law, and alleged that the bonds which he had executed in favour of Miss Thompson were executed under the influence of charms and in the "erroneous belief" that she was his lawful wife.

The maharani, who formerly lived in Sydney, New South Wales, took the stage name of Elsie Forrest and travelled in Africa and India with a party of entertainers. When in Calcutta she became a convert to Hinduism, taking the name of Sita Devi, and married the Maharajah of Tikari in 1909 according to the rites of Ayra Samaj (the reformed Hinduism).

A deed settling £200 a month on her for life was executed by the maharajah in 1913, and in 1917, when she was in England, he settled £1,000 a year on her heirs in perpetuity.

This allowance was stopped subsequently, and she brought an action for the enforcement of the two deeds. The judges here have now found that she is entitled to an annuity of £1,100 in perpetuity and also to £1,600 arrears.

The judges decided that the marriage with the maharajah was valid according to Hindu law. The appeal here has lasted eleven days. The case may now go to the Privy Council.—B.U.P.

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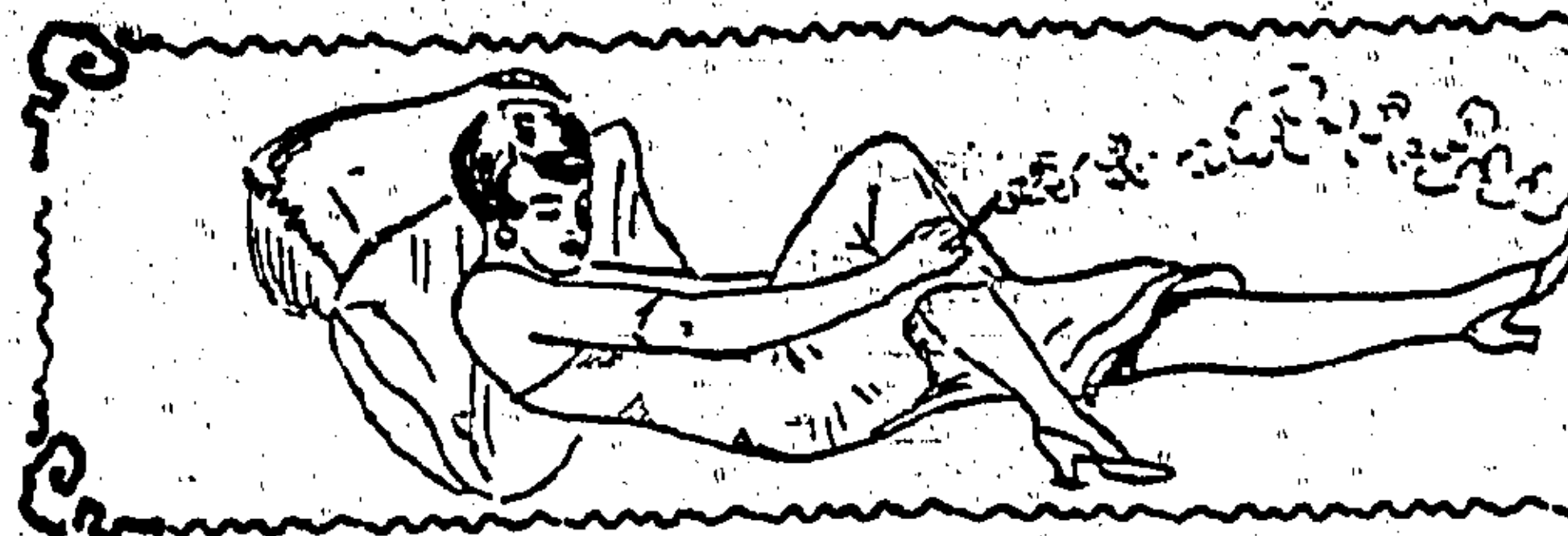
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The
WOMAN'S PAGE

IN THE WATER OR
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DELIGHTFUL BATHING KIT
AT PAMELA'S.

Pamela rather enjoys surprising us, and she has certainly done so in a very charming way with the collection of bathing suits, caps and black wraps which she has just produced.

Bathing gowns used to be such ugly things; then they became severely practical and now they are wholly delightful. Wouldn't you like a grass green rubber cap cunningly cut with a sunny tuck effect and trimmed with a flower in orchid and grey green? Or a cute little black "mephisto" helmet which comes down in a point between the eyebrows and has a black and white daisy over either ear? There is an orange cap, too, with a green sunflower on it, and the exciting new "submarine" caps. These latter are made in red, white,

SOME NEW FABRICS.

There are some very lovely new furnishing fabrics on the market now. Every mail seems to bring us something new and I have found it as well always to see what Whiteaway's have got. I have told you something about their new cretonnes but the material I saw to-day seemed to me to be more attractive than any furnishing fabric I have seen before. It is of art silk shot in three colours which, of course, means many more, and is 30 inches wide. I noticed as soon as I came up in the lift a lovely drape of blue with gold and pink lights. It shimmers and changes with every movement, giving wonderful mauves, greys and rosy pinks. Richer still and every bit as lovely is another in pink and gold which seems to hold a sunset in its folds. I think that this material would make the most lovely picture frocks, as it is not at all unlike the thick silk our grandmothers wore.

ROUND THE TOWN.

SEEN IN LOCAL SHOPS.

In MADAME SARRAULT'S I saw some charming untrimmed white straw hats with graceful wide brims, also two untrimmed straw hats one orchid and the other the new pearl beige. I saw here, too, a box of French flowers; some very pretty evening roses and poppies in silk, the latter pink with silver frosted petal tips, a large flower made of slightly stiffened georgette in vieux rose and grey, a huge red velvet gardenia which was very chic, and some parma violets.

DOLLY VARDON has some delightful cotton voile and organdie frocks all with a quaint old-world look and exquisite blending of colours.

In WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S are silk stripe cotton opera vests and knickers to match for ladies, and practical little bloomers for children of silk finish cotton stockinette in all colours and sizes 12 to 24.

LANE, CRAWFORD'S perfumery department are now stocking "Eastern Balm," a new pain killer in the form of a cream, which is particularly good to soothe insect bites.

POHOOMULL'S sale was finished this week, but the remnants were not put out as early as was expected. There are a particularly good selection of useful lengths at quite exceptional prices on view to-day. I also saw there some attractive designs in printed silk which would make up as well as dressing gowns for either yourself or your husband, and two new silks called Diamond crepe and Queen crepe. They have a new range, too, of striped spun crepe.

In WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S I found some very pretty cotton voile frocks well made in various styles from \$9.50; coloured linen frocks from \$7.50 and some white linen jumper suits at \$8.50 which I thought particularly attractive. These are made in two styles with and without sleeves of a mid weight, good quality, white linen embroidered with drawn thread work. The sleeveless jumper I liked very much. The effect was simple and cool and decidedly smart. They would, I think, be excellent for tennis.

THE PIONEER SILK STORE is holding a summer sale at which everything is very much reduced. Besides the silks, shawls, kimono, etc., they have some nice undies both in crepe de chine and tricot, and stockings very specially reduced.

EASTERN LOVELINESS.

SOME NEW SILKS AT THE PIONEER.

The Pioneer Silk Store is, as you know, having their summer sale, and you will not probably expect to find many new materials during sale time. But that is the Western method; the incomprehensible East chooses this moment to produce some quite new silk of most tempting beauty. First there is dress length material of which the body is made of georgette, and the patterned border is printed on crepe de chine which is woven in one with the georgette above and at the hem. I have in mind one very attractive piece in honey colour on which the pattern of small circles is printed in green, blue and red, the whole effect being an intensifying of the colour of the material.

The new metal lace dress lengths have a lace border set in vandykes and a plain net top. I also saw crepe de chine lengths with a wide scalloped insertion of gold or silver lace, of which blue and silver seemed particularly pretty.

Some magnificent embroidered georgettes have arrived rather like those I described a couple of weeks ago. They have a wide border the lower part of which is a bold pattern in broderie anglaise, the pattern being continued for some distance up the material in outline stitch. Clearest colour embroidered with bleu marin, a deep madonna blue stitched with green, and a dark navy with red, green, and yellow, seemed to me exceptionally pleasing. There are several others in pastel shades which are also very pretty.

Among the new printed georgettes, I thought one with a white ground crossed by mauve lines of dull blue and printed with a convention rose and leaf in pink and jade green, was original and pretty. I saw, too, a large collection of striped spun silks with an embroidered spot or star on the stripe in shining silk. There are any number of pretty combinations of colours.

THE WAIST-LINE AGAIN.



Two new models which show that the waist-line is returning to favour.

The right-hand figure shows a black charmeuse dress with a "cummerbund" waist of the same material and a bolero of green crepe embroidered in black and gold.

The other figure shows a coat-jumper of navy blue panne velvet with a very original arrangement of the waist and neck-line, which calls for intelligent cutting. It is worn over a dress of printed crepe de chine in shades of navy and amber. Of course these materials are rather too hot for us to wear here now, but it is not hard to imagine an equally chic effect in thin silk or voile.

or black rubber and have stiffened ear pieces which avoid all pressure on the ear and prevent any water coming in. They fasten under the chin and are of the type used by channel swimmers; so if you are thinking of swimming the harbour you will be able to get the right head gear for the feat.

As for the gowns they are chic, impudent, decorative, or practical and still all three. There is a little jade green combination which has a lattice work all down both sides of the green silk braid which is used to bind it. Another jade green has Russian embroidery in yellow and green silk. There are several suits in a smart combination of white and scarlet, some with, and others without skirts.

The beach wraps are the cutest and newest of all. They are cut like men's dressing gowns and made of a very fine soft flannel in a variety of wide stripes and colours. There (Continued on next column).

I somewhat similar material which is cheaper at only \$2.95 a yard double width, a silk finish casement which is shot and striped in several combinations of colour. Both these materials are guaranteed sunproof and washable.

Striped cretonne casement is another new furnishing fabric, which combines a wide plain with a wide flowered stripe at \$2.25 the yard double width.

are some for children, too, which are very smart. I can see little darlings wearing them not on the beach but on-the-Peak in the Autumn!

For children, too, are the most charming rubber waders with elastic at the knee and waist, a bib, two patch pockets, and cross over straps at the back. They are in several very pretty colourings, rose pink bound with blue, mauve with green, and blue with orange for example.

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One of the problems of summer days is food. Especially in the middle of the day when you are hot and weary you are apt to look at food with distaste. I was in Lane, Crawford's for time yesterday and thought their new buffet an excellent idea. It stood just inside the restaurant, and the Lobsters, Cold Meats, Salads and Pies, etc.,

which were set out on it, looked cool and inviting. In charge is a European Chef and you can choose your own meal at the buffet. A good tiffin can be made for only 75 cents, though some of the dishes, I think turkey and chicken, will bring it up to \$1. Salads, potatoes, rolls and butter are included with the main dish.

WOMAN'S PAGE (CONTD.)

LA MODE ON FLOWERS.

WAXED AND LACQUERED BLOOMS.

I wonder if the cult of feminism, one might almost call it Victorianism, in dress is responsible for the abundance and loveliness of artificial flowers. For the days of the genuine crinoline and for a long time after real flowers were worn particularly with evening dress. Real blooms have obvious disadvantages, they wither quickly and are apt to soil the dress. During the war years and for some time both before and after, artificial flowers were in use, but they were not often worn by women of discrimination except in millinery. The reason is not far to seek; they were mostly tasteless and unsuitable for the purposes to which we now put them.

It seems rather hard, indeed, to speak of the lovely blossoms that we wear to-day as artificial flowers. Technically I suppose they are, but actually they are a part of woman's dress and bear a far closer and more important relationship to it



A charming two piece which could be made in this or white. The dress is sleeveless and the coat might be the same without spoiling the effect.

than to the flower bed. The modern flower is not primarily an imitation of anything that nature or gardeners have produced; it is an ornament for dress. Often it bears little or no resemblance to any bloom known to botanists and sometimes it can give points to nature herself as regards beauty.

The Modern Eve's flowers can be divided into two groups—for day and evening. They are to a certain extent interchangeable. Evening flowers being used for millinery and "day" flowers being often found on evening gowns. But as a broad distinction "day" flowers are small, more or less neatly arranged bouquet of flowers, leaves or seed pods, whereas "evening" flowers are huge single blooms of loose form. Of course, there are variations of both styles.

I wrote only a short while ago about a box of French flowers which I saw in Lane, Crawford's; but when I went in early this week, I found that a lot more had arrived which are, if possible, even more charming. I was particularly taken with the waxed and lacquered button holes. Either of these treatments gives the flowers the crisp cool look of real blossoms which is quite lacking in the ordinary silk or organdie flowers. There are small bunches of violets, white or blue, with waxed petals which you would almost swear to be living. A little less convincing but very attractive was a bunch of pink convolvulus, and, very chic, a gunmetal colour rose. Lacquered camellias in red, white or black are very chic indeed and the white ones absolutely perfect as a mirror of nature. Lacquered linen is used for a bunch of small green roses with shining black leaves. Other very chic formal boutonnières are made of leather or suede. A real Victorian bouquet is made of unwaxed flowers, red moss roses, white heather, forget-me-nots, mimosa, and stocks, all in natural colours, and backed with rose leaves. Velvet sycamore balls with one leaf are novel and attractive, and so are bunches of primula in natural colourings.

The evening flowers are wonderful, fragile and exotic. There is a corsage of orchids and lilies of the valley, and a huge pink rose made of double silk lightly wired with surrounding leaves. Three tulips, two violet and one green, with green stems and leaves, are made quite limp and intended to hang from the shoulder. A large silver rose is surrounded with tiny pink roses.

HOW TO BE THIN—AND HEALTHY.

DIET, BATHS, TREATMENTS AND EXERCISE.

"The only certain way to slimness is by dieting," said a Dover-street beauty specialist, who has royalty among her clientele.

"By dieting, however, I do not mean starving, which leads to serious internal trouble if it is rigidly done and without medical advice. This has actually happened to women in my own experience."

"It is nearly always possible to attain fashionable outlines without being hungry. There are certain things that stout people ought not to eat. If they avoid these, and eat as much as they like of non-fattening foods, they will become thin but not ill or 'off colour.'"

"I have asked a responsible physician to give me a comprehensive diet list for slimming, which has proved satisfactory in many cases."

To Be Avoided.

"To be avoided are toast, eggs, butter, sugar; starchy foods such as potatoes, parsnips, peas and broad beans; and oil foods. Special diet biscuits are recommended instead of bread."

To Be Eaten.

"These items, excepted, the normal, healthy person may eat impunity lean meat, boiled fish, French beans, radishes, cabbage, turnips, artichokes and asparagus. All salads, provided they are without oil, are excellent. Though some wines contain too high a percentage of sugar, dry wines and champagne, or old brandy, may be taken in moderation."

"Besides dieting, I give several treatments to encourage the disappearance of fat, all of them designed to enhance the effects of the dieting."

Warm Baths At Night.

"A good warm bath—the exact temperature varies according to individual skins, but the water should never be uncomfortably hot—should be taken last thing at night. In the bath it is advisable to have some reliable reducing salts, which open the pores and encourage perspiration. If it suits the skin, half a pound of ordinary washing soda should be added to a bathful of water, though at first a quarter of a pound would be sufficient, the quantity to be increased gradually."

To Retain Heat.

"After thorough drying, strong eau de Cologne should be applied as an astringent. The idea of a flannel night-gown is unnecessarily discouraging to women. However, if a flimsy garment is preferred, a bed jacket should be worn to prevent cold."

"I advise a glass of hot water with the juice of a whole lemon squeezed into it to be drunk in bed."

Water For Drinking.

"The hot-water treatment is excellent for keeping the system free from impurities and consequently discouraging unhealthy fat. Take as many as six tumblerfuls a day, either with or without lemon, according to taste, remembering that lemon is inadvisable for anemic cases."

"This drink should be taken an hour before or after meals; never with food."

Particular Areas Of Fat.

"So much for general slimming methods. Particular points where there is excessive fat are specially treated, still with diet as the fundamental cure. Hand massage, using a round implement having little ivory teeth on flexible springs, is helpful in breaking up the fat and squeezing it out from ankles, arms, and back. For the hands, remember that there are three joints to each finger, and massage should exercise all of them thoroughly."

Under The Chin.

"For reducing flesh under the chin, I am a champion of any straps which would interfere with breathing and consequently with the heart action. A strap made of three layers of paper which would burst under a strain is the most satisfactory. Special jelly is applied, then the bandage."

"The box for this treatment contains, of course, an astringent to use in the morning. More power is obtained through tapping the chin with the back of the fingers, than with a tapper."

Rolling For Reducing The Hips.

"For the hips, rolling is usually recommended. But very often I send clients to their own doctors for electrical massage and for a scheme of exercise. It is difficult to adopt a regime of violent exercise except under a doctor's medical supervision. The same applies to living-in dieting."

What Darning Achieved.

"Two hours darning a day was the form of reducing exercise adopted by one of my clients. A few months she had, from being quite a remarkably stout woman, attained the slim silhouette which is the modern normal figure."

buds, and organdie chrysanthemums bloom in every shade imaginable."

RECORDS FOR HOLIDAY MOODS.

A PICNIC WITH A PORTABLE.

Having just invested in a Columbia Portable, a number 112 which has an excellent tone, I went through a big batch of new records of a size to take with it on picnics and excursions. The machine carries 8 records, but it is not much trouble to take a few more with you if you are going out by car or launch, and the added pleasure that your gramophone will give you during your outing must be experienced to be believed.

Footstaple Refrain In The Right Spirit.

"I love lazy weather,
Just lying around
Close to the ground"

is an attractive refrain harmonising with the holiday mood, and this slow foxtrot, played by the California Ramblers, is well rendered apart from its too strident saxophone. "Polly," with clever piano gymnastics by Fred Rich, and "Playground in the Sky," played by Ben Selvin and his orchestra, and including the melody of a familiar nursery rhyme, are other cheery foxtrots to add to the holiday list. Ed. Collins sings with comical melancholy the refrain of "Community Blues," played by the Kit-Cat Band. All these records, as well as "The Song is Ended," which Nora Blaney sings quite charmingly in contrast with her mournful rendering of "Diane on the reverse, come from Columbia."

Schubert.

All the Schubert centenary records made by the Columbia Company are worth hearing, and if, perhaps, you think the "Unfinished Symphony" too classical for holiday hours the same objection could never be made to the "Lull Time" suite. The Afghanistan National Anthem with three Royal salutes and the Marseillaise on the reverse, the first played by the Air Force Band and the second by the band of the Garde Republicaine are splendid and stirring.

Monte And Others.

The Meanderings of Monty have a large band of followers, and the last, No. 20, in which Monty attends a board meeting will certainly amuse the irreverent children of taipans if not the "directors" themselves. Very amusing expect-



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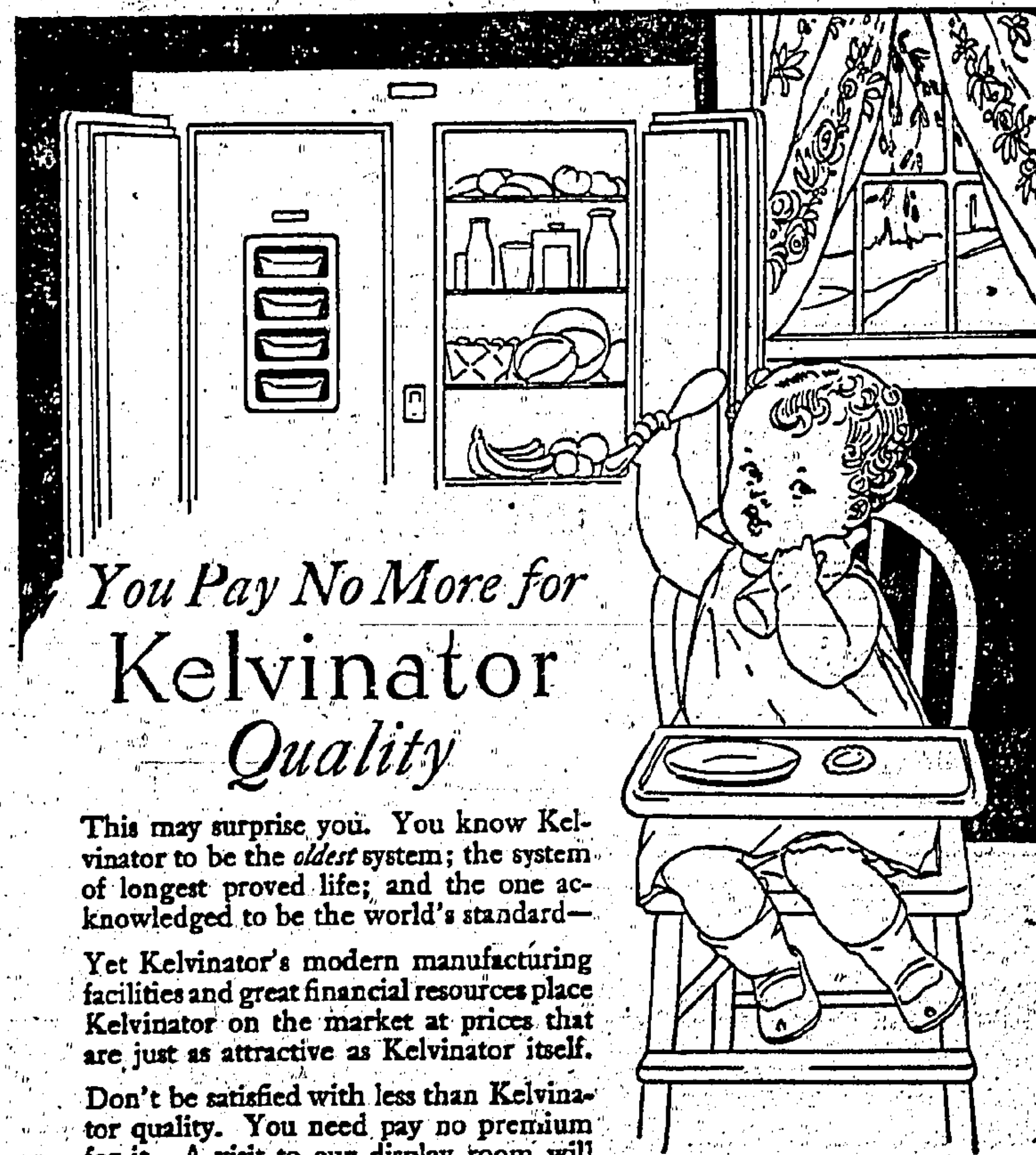
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ally to those who have lately arrived from home is a skit on the broadcasting programme called Clapham and Dwyer. Everything is delightfully parodied even the children's hair, while the broadcasting of dance bands is a perfect piece of foolery.



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Hong Kong Observatory, May 17th.			
Previous Day	On Date	On Date	On Date
at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.
Barometer...	29.70	29.78	29.73
Temperature	84	77	87
Humidity...	78	92	74
Wind—			
Direction	WNW	NE	S
Force	3	1	2
Weather	S	OR	O
Rain	0.24	0.00	0.25
Highest open-air Temperature, 16th: 84			
Lowest open-air Temperature, 17th: 77			
B=Blue sky; O=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.			

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From May 18th to 24th, 1928.			
High Water		Low Water	
Day of Week	Time	Day of Week	Time
Fri. 18	8 1/2	Fri. 18	2 1/2
Sat. 19	8 3/4	Sat. 19	2 3/4
Sun. 20	9 1/2	Sun. 20	3 1/2
Mon. 21	9 45	Mon. 21	3 45
Tue. 22	10 14	Tue. 22	4 14
Wed. 23	11 28	Wed. 23	5 28
Thur. 24	12 58	Thur. 24	6 58

THE TRIUMPH OF THE FRANC.

A TRIBUTE M. POINCARÉ'S SUCCESS.

HIS MINISTRY OF EX-PRIME MINISTERS.

FRANCE "ONE OF THE SOUNDEST COUNTRIES."

[By VISCOUNT ROTHERMERE.]

This article, showing how by ruthless economy and other wise measures M. Poincaré and his Cabinet have in less than two years restored financial stability in France and made the franc once more the close associate of the pound sterling and the dollar is reprinted from the "Weekly Dispatch".

When will M. Poincaré fix the value of the franc in terms of gold? This is the question now asked daily on the money exchanges of the world.

That the stabilisation of the franc should be already a long awaited development is the consequence of one of the most striking and rapid restorations of a country's fortunes that history records.

Less than two years ago the franc was worth no more than a penny postage stamp, and seemed instantly doomed to lose even this fractional value. Now the currency of France has not only improved 100 per cent. in the international quotation lists, but it is regarded as a medium of exchange in which business can be transacted with perfect security. The franc, in fact, has once more become the close associate of the pound sterling and the dollar, and, as a stable currency, meets them on equal terms in the exchange markets of the world.

A Proud Record.

That record is one which causes Frenchmen profound and justifiable satisfaction. The period of office of the French Government, now in power has witnessed a remarkable national recovery. In less than two years France has been brought back from the very verge of complete financial collapse, and set upon the firm ground of solvency.

To those who have watched this process closely, the past twenty months have been an object-lesson of the fundamental strength of the French nation. They have proved that under competent and courageous leadership France is one of the soundest countries in Europe.

Black Six Months.

During the first six months of 1928 the value of French currency was steadily falling. In one hundred days it sank one hundred points in relation to sterling. This represented a loss of nearly one-half of its value in six months.

The position of French business men with accounts to meet abroad was desperate. For salaried employees and people with fixed incomes it was almost intolerable. Everyone in France who had a balance at the bank, or cash in his safe, or even notes in his pocket, was faced with the fact that they were steadily losing their purchasing value day by day.

French manufacturers whose products required the importation of raw materials which had to be paid for in foreign currency seemed to be faced with inevitable ruin. Some of them refused to quote prices to their own customers in France except in dollars or sterling, though this was against French law.

People of all classes sought desperately to turn their savings into foreign currency or securities before their value vanished utterly away. This only hastened the fall of the franc. To prevent it the Government had forbidden the exportation of French capital, but confidence in the nation's solvency was so shaken that the restriction was evaded by all sorts of ingenious stratagems.

The consequence of this situation was that the price of living rose almost daily, even more rapidly than the purchasing power of the franc declined. The prices of goods in the shops were increased almost as fast as the staff could rewrite the tickets. Employers were confronted with repeated demands for higher wages, but these did not prevent serious suffering among the wage-earning classes.

She had accordingly been forced to add to her already large debts abroad by pledging her national credit to the limit for fresh loans. Even so, the French Budgets had showed heavy deficits, which had been met by the printing of paper-money without gold reserves to back it. The French Government's overdraft at the Bank of France had risen to such a height that the Bank flatly refused to increase it.

How near France had drawn to the precipice is on record in the fact that the French Minister of Finance, M. de Monzie, announced publicly in Parliament on July 21st, 1928, that the Government had barely 80,000,000 francs (then worth only £250,000) left to its credit with the Bank of France. This sum, it was stated by the Governor of the Bank, would not suffice to meet the Government's liabilities for more than another twenty-four hours. After that the Treasury would be empty and the State penniless.

"We shall then," said the Finance Minister, "be compelled to suspend payments." These grave words were a formal warning to the world that France had reached the very edge of bankruptcy.

It was at this moment of supreme crisis that the French nation turned again to M. Poincaré, who had twice previously been Prime Minister, and had held the office of President of the Republic from 1913 to 1920, during the bitter trial of the war.

M. Poincaré had already given ample proof of his determined will and his calm, courageous patriotism. The French remembered how, alone and against the opposition of the Allied Powers, he had taken Germany by the collar in 1923, when he sent French troops to occupy the Ruhr and thereby showed the Germans that the time for fooling and flouting the Allies over the payment of reparations was at an end.

Poincaré's Task. The fact that M. Poincaré undertook the task of saving France was enough in itself to revive the confidence of an almost despairing nation. At the age of 68, he was facing a tremendous task, which many thought an impossibility. Distinguished financial experts, both Frenchmen and foreigners, with whom I spoke at the time, saw no hope of carrying on the government of France except by further borrowings. Progressive pauperisation was their forecast of the future of the French nation.

The new Prime Minister showed his resolute character from the first moment he took office. Himself a Lorrainer, he called to his aid an Iron Corps of experienced Ministers, as able and determined in administration and finance as the splendid Iron Corps of Lorraine had showed itself upon the battle-field.

No fewer than five of his colleagues in the new Cabinet had led French Governments of their own. M. Briand, the Foreign Minister, had actually been Prime Minister ten times.

The Strong Men. M. Poincaré, the Minister of War, who is one of the greatest mathematicians in France, had led two Governments. M. Herriot, who had been well known as Mayor of Lyons before he reached Ministerial rank, took office under M. Poincaré after two periods as Premier, the last of which was a short-lived term of 48 hours on the eve of M. Poincaré's accession to power. M. Leygues and M. Barthou, who were appointed to the Ministries of Marine and Justice, were also ex-Premiers. As the Ministry of Public Works was M. André Tardieu, one of M. Clemenceau's chief lieutenants at the Allied Peace Conference.

This was, indeed, the strongest Government ever brought together in France since the war, and included representatives of all parties except the Communists, Socialists, and the extreme Conservatives. It amounted to a concentration of the moderate political opinion of France for the purpose of saving the State.

Ruthless Economy. Ruthless economy was the first measure which M. Poincaré and his Cabinet imposed. They showed the world that efficiency in government does not depend upon an elaborate and costly administration. At one sweep all the Under-Secretaries of State were abolished. M. Poincaré undertook to restore France from the critical condition she had reached with a Government of only thirteen Ministers. In England we have twenty-one Cabinet Ministers, and no fewer than thirty-two more members of the Government outside.

DOOM OF THE WOODEN PLANE.

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The doom of the wooden aeroplane is in sight. This year will see the beginning of a revolution in flying.

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Britain is simply keeping abreast of the times. Germany specialises in all-metal aircraft, the United States, France and Italy have not overlooked the possibilities, and recently Japan ordered a metal-hulled machine for testing purposes.

M. Poincaré's next step was to impose 11,000,000,000 francs of extra annual taxation. The French problem in this respect was different from our own. Great Britain, dependent for her existence upon manufactures which have to fight for foreign markets in competition with the whole world, is suffering from over-taxation, imposed for futile and extravagant purposes of a semi-Socialist kind. In France, on the other hand, successive Ministries, through fear of unpopularity, had weakly refrained from calling upon the country to contribute all it could afford towards national expenditure. In 1926 the French nation was paying only about £4 per head in taxation, against the £10 10s. then being paid by, or on behalf of, every man, woman, and child in Great Britain as a national taxation alone, exclusive of local rates.

Finance, not industry, was at the bottom of the troubles of France. With her self-sufficing agricultural resources, her iron-ore deposits, and her command of the luxury trades (including wine and tourist traffic), of the world, the industrial position of France is very strong. M. Poincaré's confidence in the ability of his countrymen to bear an additional burden of taxation was justified by the fact that the new revenue began to reach the Treasury from patriotic taxpayers even before it was due to be collected.

Bank's Voluntary Loan. The immediate crisis of an exhausted overdraft at the Bank of France was met by a voluntary loan from French banks, which was repaid as the produce of the fresh taxation began to flow in. The Bank of France was authorised to improve the international value of the franc by a bold policy of purchasing gold and foreign currencies against its notes. No dealings in foreign exchange were permitted to any other body except as agents of the Bank of France.

Directly these energetic measures were adopted French credit began to turn the corner. In less than six months of office M. Poincaré's Government had brought the franc back to the figure of 134 to the £. At this level it has virtually been stabilised since December 1928. To-day the preoccupation of the Bank of France is not to keep the franc from dropping but to prevent it improving too rapidly in value above its present figure.

Future of France. Meanwhile the Budget has been balanced and all Government short-term bonds met as they fell due. The Bank of France has built up its depleted gold reserve, and by its dealings in foreign currency has obtained control of £200,000,000 in gold and gold-value currencies abroad, much of this being held in London. Instead of France now looking for help to foreign bankers, it is today the London money market which considers with apprehension the possibility of the withdrawal of the French funds on deposit here.

The question of the official stabilisation of the franc is one which M. Poincaré has not yet taken up. It may be that he will decide to fix its exchange value at the present figure. Or he may think it desirable to raise its international value to the level at which the Italian Government has stabilised the lira.

I am confident that whatever decision is adopted European financiers may feel the fullest assurance in the sagacity of the present French Government. The fortunes of France have been proved to lie in extremely competent hands. We in England envy our French allies the courage, common sense and determination which were found in their chosen leaders at a time of most vital peril for the State.

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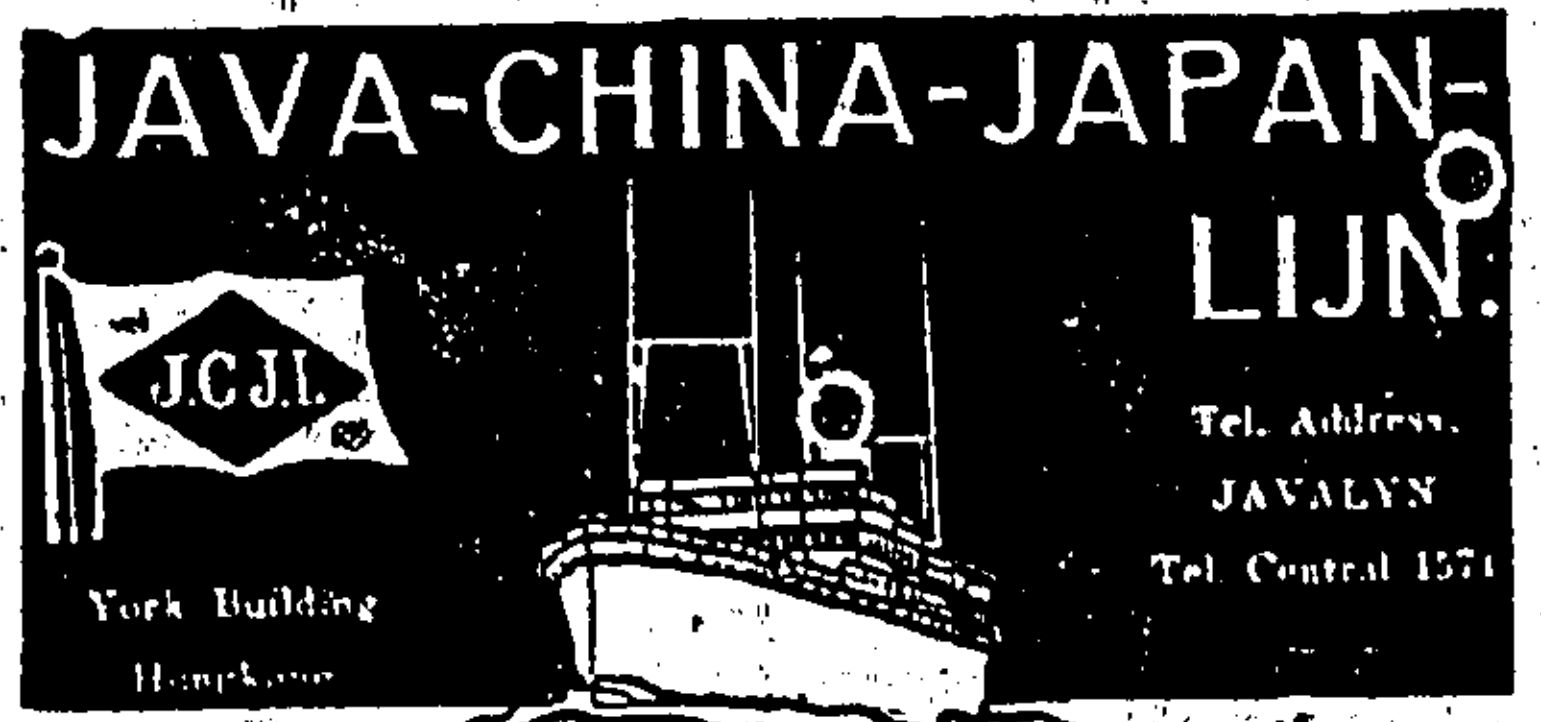
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SHANGHAI	"HUPH"	On 22nd May	6 a.m.
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SHANGHAI	"YUNNAN"	On 30th May	6 a.m.
HONGKOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TRAN"	On 31st May	10 a.m.
WUHAIR, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOOW"	On 2nd June	4 p.m.
AMOI, SWATOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"KWEIYANG"	On 3rd June	6 a.m.
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Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

May 18th.
Eiger, Norwegian str., 825 tons, Capt. J. Hansen, from Canton, in ballast, lying at Stonecutters, Karsten, Larsen & Co.
Hatipara, British str., 4,883 tons, Capt. H. G. Ellis, from Moji, which port she left on May 11th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

May 17th.
Durken, Norwegian str., 1,778 tons, Capt. G. Svane, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B20—Lee Fat Co.
Hong Peng, British str., 2,485 tons, Capt. D. M. Hood, from Singapore, which port she left on May 11th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B24—Ho Thong Co.
Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 2,350 tons, Capt. H. Oyama, from Swatow, with 500 tons of general cargo and 500 tons of coal, lying at O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K.
Kueichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. F. W. Summerfield, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C37—B. & S.
Linan, British str., 1,358 tons, Capt. T. Beer, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9—B. & S.
Rakuyo Maru, Japanese str., 9,418 tons, Capt. R. Nakagawa, from Valparaiso, Chile and Moji, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
Tango Maru, Japanese str., 4,278 tons, Capt. M. Matsuda, from Melbourne and Manila. The latter port she left on May 15th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
Times Maru, Japanese str., 1,304 tons, Capt. T. Nakamura, from Keelung, which port she left on May 14th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B50—M.B.K.
Tonjer, Norwegian str., 1,949 tons, Capt. H. Rasmussen, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B54—Doddwell & Co.
Tonkin, French str., 907 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C15—M.M.

CLEARANCES.

May 17th.
Duket, for Bangkok.
Eiger, for Shanghai.
Erie, for Sumatra.
Hong Peng, for Swatow.
Hydrangea, for Amoy.
Kut Sang, for Amoy.
Linan, for Swatow.
Mao Lee, for Chefoo.
Tai Ping, for Manila.
Tango Maru, for Nagasaki.
Telemachus, for Saigon.
Tonjer, for Chinwangtao.
Tonkin, for Haiphong.
Totomi Maru, for Hongkong.
Wing Wo, for Kwong Chow Wan.
Yendai Maru, for Whampoa.

COASTAL OFFICERS' PERSONNEL.

LATEST CHANGES.

Several transfers have been made in the personnel of officers employed on coastal steamers. The latest changes are given below:
Mr. C. E. O'Leaver, third officer, *Anking*, has gone second officer, *Fathana*.
Mr. D. C. Cameron, second officer, *Fathana*, is on reserve.
Mr. W. Hood, from reserve, has gone third officer, *Anking*.
Captain W. Lumsden, of the *Suiyang*, is on reserve.
Mr. J. Whyte, sup'y chief officer, *Hsin Peking*, has gone chief officer, *Kanchow*.
Mr. A. Stephenson, chief officer, *Lungchow*, has gone chief officer, *Chinkiang*.
Mr. J. Major, sup'y second officer, *Hsin Peking*, has gone second officer, *Tungchow*.
Mr. R. Allinson, chief officer, *Kanchow*, has gone chief officer, *Lungchow*.
Mr. E. Swan, sup'y second officer, *Hsin Peking*, has gone second officer, *Fengtien*.
Mr. J. W. Evans, has been appointed second officer, *Ichang*.
Mr. A. S. Lewis has been appointed second officer, *Taming*.
Mr. S. E. Ries has been appointed sup'y second officer, *Taming*.
Mr. R. E. C. Lee has been appointed sup'y second officer, *Hsin Peking*.
Mr. J. McKelvie, chief officer, *Chinkiang*, has gone chief officer, *Chenan*.
Mr. A. Taylor, chief officer, *Chenan*, has gone sup'y chief officer, *Hsin Peking*.
Mr. D. Needham, second officer, *Ichang*, has gone second officer, *Tungting*.
Mr. W. C. Thomas, from reserve, has gone chief officer, *Szechuen*.
Mr. E. Penhale, chief officer, *Szechuen*, has gone sup'y chief officer, *Taming*.
Mr. J. Hodgkins, chief officer, *Nanchang*, is deceased.
Mr. F. C. Darr, third engineer officer, *Chenan*, has resigned.
Mr. W. D. Williams, acting third engineer officer, *Suiyang*, has gone third engineer officer, *Chenan*.
Mr. E. Sweet has been appointed third engineer officer, *Suiyang*.
Mr. G. Boulton, from Home leave, has gone second engineer officer, *Antung*.
Mr. L. A. MacFarlane, second engineer officer, *Antung*, has gone second engineer officer, *Suiyang*.
Mr. K. Logan, chief engineer officer, *C.N. Co.*, is on Home leave, pending retirement.
Mr. R. W. Martin has been appointed acting third engineer officer, *Nanning*.
Mr. W. S. Sharp, third engineer officer, *Nanning*, has gone sup'y third engineer officer, *Hsin Peking*.
Mr. C. Stewart, acting chief engineer officer, *Nanking*, has gone acting chief engineer officer, *Nanning*.
Mr. J. Baxter, chief engineer officer, *Nanning*, has gone chief engineer officer, *Nanking*.
Mr. R. K. Burns, chief engineer officer, *Chinkiang*, has gone chief engineer officer, *Sinkiang*.
Mr. R. H. Brown, chief engineer officer, *Sinkiang*, is on reserve.
Mr. R. Carruthers, second engineer officer, *Taming*, has gone acting chief engineer officer, *Chinkiang*.
Mr. J. B. Barclay, chief engineer officer, *Shuntien*, is on reserve.
Mr. J. A. Anderson, second engineer officer, *Chinkiang*, has gone acting chief engineer officer, *Shuntien*.
(Continued on next column).

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* (from Manila) is due here at 8 a.m. on Monday, May 23rd, and will berth at pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will leave for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on Wednesday, May 30th.
The P. & O. a.s. *Kildare* left Shanghai for Hong Kong at 10 a.m. yesterday, with the mails, and is due here on Monday, the 21st at about 5 a.m.
The B.I. a.s. *Hatipara* will leave for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta at noon to-morrow.
The B.I. a.s. *Santhia* will leave for Amoy, Moji, Kobe and Osaka at 6 a.m. on Sunday, May 20th.
The m.v. *Voyland* (Hamburg-America Linie) left Colombo on Wednesday the 16th inst., via Singapore and Manila, and is due here on or about Saturday, June 2nd.

MERCHANT VESSELS IN PORT.

The following were the merchant vessels in port at 9 a.m. yesterday:
British: *Hatipara*, *Thy Gwan*, *Kut Sang*, *Linan*, *Adriatic*, *Kueichow*, *Kwangtung*, *Kalgan*, *Hydrangea*, *King Yuen*, *Pheampenh*, *New Mahide*, *Tean*, *Taiiping*, *Telemachus*, *Chinkua*, *Cheong Shing*, *Borneo*, *Gorgiaton*, *Sumatra*, *Taitoo*.
Norwegian: *Eiger*, *Tonjer*, *Montego*, *Hellas*, *Solviken*, *Dukat*, *Botnia*, *Pruties*.
Portuguese: *Kong On*, *King On*.
French: *Bourbon*, *Caravallas*, *Hanoi*, *Tonkin*.
Japanese: *Times Maru*, *Rakuyo Maru*, *Deli Maru*, *Arumasan Maru*, *Taisoku Maru*, *Totomi Maru*, *Koyo Maru*.
Chinese: *Mao Lee*, *Wing Wo*, *Shan Chik*, *Wong Shik Kung*, *Hong Chong*, *Derwent*, *Lee On*, *Hong Chow*, *Tejo*, *Haiman*, *Ban Fao Soon*, *Lee Cheong*, *Gen. H. Kuo*, *Men Sun*.
Dutch: *Hermes*, *Jan Otto*, *Hong Kong*, *Hankow*.
Danish: *Bintang*.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

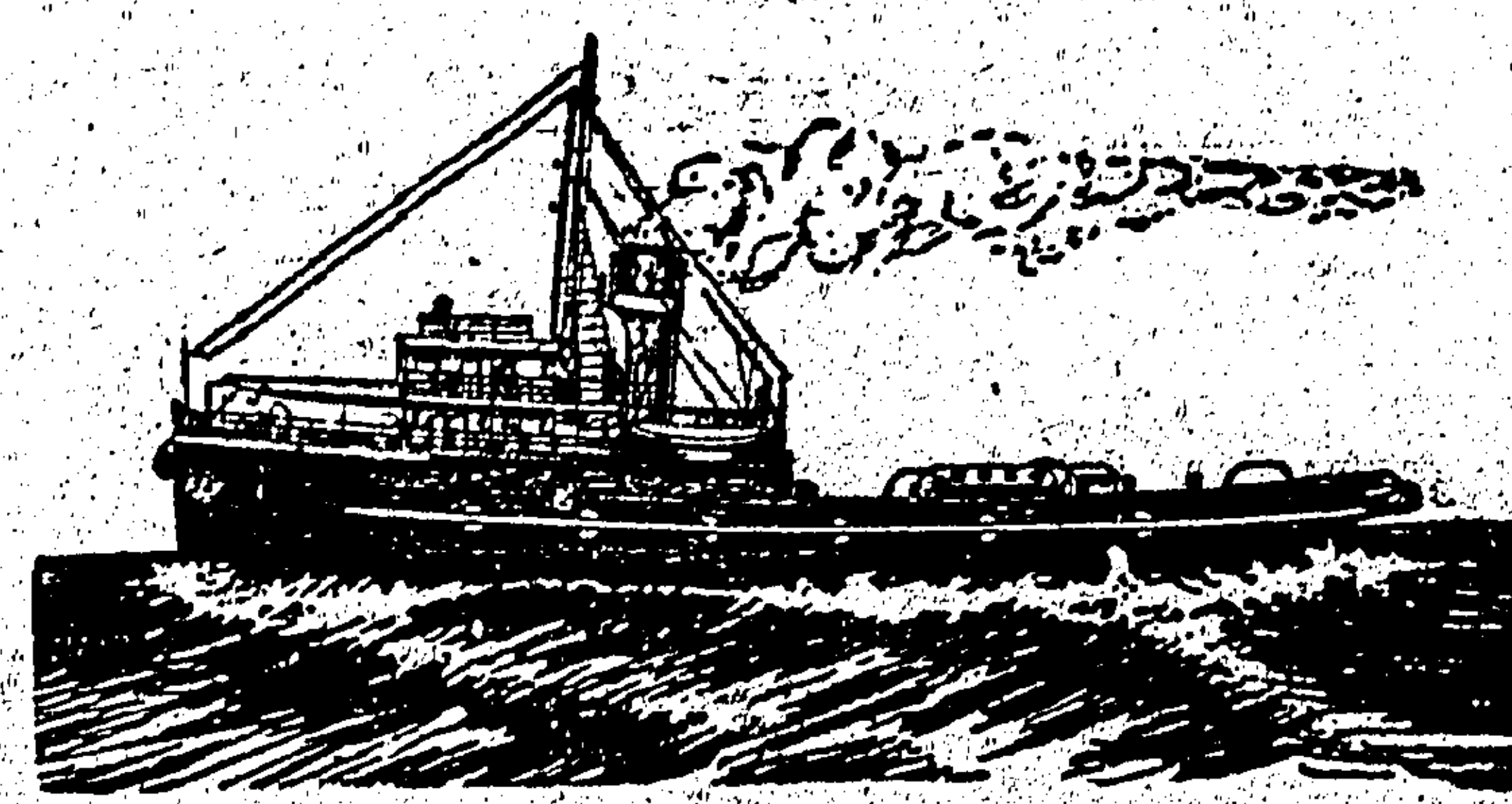
	Sunrise	Sunset
To-day	5.42 a.m.	6.57 p.m.
To-morrow	5.42 "	6.58 "
Sunday	5.41 "	6.58 "

gone acting chief engineer officer, *Shuntien*.
Mr. W. W. Armes has been appointed sup'y second officer, *Tuckwo*.
Mr. A. Cameron, chief officer, *Pingwo*, is on Home leave.
Mr. G. Clarke, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, *Pingwo*.
Captain H. W. Chandler, from reserve, has gone master, *Taiiping*.
Captain A. Sinclair, of the *Yat-shing*, is on reserve.
Mr. B. W. Draney, from reserve, has gone sup'y second officer, *Fausang*.
Mr. L. G. Merry, sup'y second officer, *Fausang*, has gone sup'y second officer, *Waiching*.
Mr. G. Boyle, from reserve, has gone second officer, *Chaksang*.
Mr. A. Robertson, second officer, *Chaksang*, has gone second officer, *Kutwo*.
Mr. R. M. Sangster, from reserve, has gone acting chief engineer officer, *Chaksang*.
Mr. D. B. Ritchie, chief engineer officer, *Chaksang*, has gone chief engineer officer, *Kutwo*.
Mr. D. Smith, chief engineer officer, *Kutwo*, has retired.—*Shipping and Engineering.*

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TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"HANGSANG" "FOOSHING" "CHAKSANG" "YATSHING"	Sun., 20th May, at Noon Wed., 23rd May, at Noon Sun., 27th May, at Noon Wed., 30th May, at Noon
OSAKA via AMOI, SHAL MOJI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Fri., 18th May, at 10 a.m.
CANTON	"CHAKSANG"	Mon., 21st May, at 8 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"FOOKSANG" "HOSANG"	Tues., 22nd May, at 3 p.m. Tues., 29th May, at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Tues., 29th May, at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	"YUSANG"	Tues., 29th May, at Noon

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

DECREASE IN CARGO
RETURNS.

BRITISH SHIPS BEST CARGO CARRIERS.

The cargo returns during the past two days have shown a big decrease on the week-end returns which were exceptionally good. With twenty-two arrivals, and eighteen departures during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, the merchandise for this port was just over 15,000 tons, while the through cargo only amounted to 12,000 tons. However, British ships were best cargo carriers.

Local imports, totalling 15,657 tons, and six British vessels contributed 9,095 tons. Two British steamers showed the best cargo returns. The s.s. *Hatipara* from Osaka and *Moji* discharged 2,626 tons of general cargo, while the s.s. *Mingchow* from Saigon had 2,300 tons of rice. Only seven ships carried through cargo which amounted to 12,877 tons. Five British vessels carried 7,973 tons, the best carrier being a British vessel. The s.s. *Kiangtung* from Calcutta and Singapore carried 5,034 tons of general cargo, and the s.s. *Atumasan Maru* (Japanese) had 4,000 tons of coal from Milke.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	8	8
Japanese	4	2
Norwegian	4	0
Chinese	8	4
Dutch	0	2
French	1	1
German	0	1
Total	22	18

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.
President Grant, May 21st.
Australian-Oriental Line.
Change, June 8th.
Taiping, July 10th.

Bank Line.
City of Chester, May 27th.
City of Tokyo, June 9th.
City of Bedford, June 22nd.
City of Osaka, July 13th.
City of New Castle, June 15th.
City of Evanville, July 20th.
City of Winnipeg, August 4th.
City of Delhi, September 1st.
City of Glasgow, September 8th.

Ben Line.
Benvenuti, May 23rd.
British-India and Apcar Line.
Talma, May 24th.
Tallinn, May 31st.
Takada, June 5th.
Talamba, June 15th.

Canadian Pacific Line.
Empress of Asia, May 28th.
Dollar Steamship Line.
President Wilson, to-morrow.
President Lincoln, May 21st.
President Cleveland, May 22nd.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.
Peru, June 6th.
Siam, June 10th.
Dannmark, July 18th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.
St. Albans, June 4th.
Arafura, July 9th.

Princess Line.
Japanese Prince, June 3rd.
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Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.
Nankin, May 25th.
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Blue Funnel Line.
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Glen Line.
Pembroke, May 28th.
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Hamburg-Amerika Linie and
Hug Stinnes Linie.
Ludendorff, May 26th.
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Java-China-Japan Lijn.
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Rector, May 31st.
Rhexenor, June 8th.
Mentor, June 10th.
Tyndareus, June 10th.
Dardanus, June 12th.
Antenor, June 13th.
Ganfa, June 28th.
Dioned, June 30th.
Atreus, June 30th.
Antiochus, June 28th.
Glaucus, June 28th.
Proteslaus, July 3rd.
Lycan, July 8th.
Philoctetes, July 8th.
Ningchow, July 18th.
Achilles, July 21st.
Tallinn, July 21st.
Thebes, July 25th.
Aeneas, July 30th.
Phemius, August 4th.
Hellerophon, August 9th.
Bipenor, August 22nd.
Sarpedon, August 23rd.
Machaon, September 19th.

Glen Line.
Pembroke, May 28th.
Glenelg, June 9th.
Glenelg, June 29th.
Cardigan, July 9th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie and
Hug Stinnes Linie.
Ludendorff, May 26th.
Vogland, June 2nd.
Hannenburg, June 13th.
Albert Voelger, June 13th.
Rhein, June 24th.
Oldenburg, July 7th.

Java-China-Japan Lijn.
Tijuwong, May 21st.
Tijmanok, May 21st.
Tijkembang, May 24th.
Tijpanas, May 27th.
Tijsondari, May 28th.
Tijbodas, June 4th.
Tijlalak, June 4th.
Tijkarang, June 7th.
Tijtaroom, June 18th.

Message Lines.
St. Kiang, to-morrow.
Athos II., May 22nd.
General Metzing, May 23rd.
Sphinx, June 8th.
Angers, June 19th.
Paul Leat, July 3rd.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Ceylon Maru, to-day.
Hakosaki Maru, to-day.
Mishima Maru, May 22nd.
Taigo Maru, May 22nd.
Toyooka Maru, May 22nd.
Moji Maru, May 28th.
Kano Maru, May 28th.
Baku Maru, June 1st.
Muran Maru, June 1st.
Tengo Maru, June 4th.
Morioka Maru, June 7th.
Wakasa Maru, June 8th.<

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IMPRESS OF ASIA	July 18	July 21	July 24	July 26	Aug. 4
IMPRESS OF CANADA	Aug. 29	Sept. 1	Sept. 4	Sept. 6	Sept. 15
IMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 18	Sept. 20	Sept. 29
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HAKUSAN MARU	...	Saturday, 2nd June	
KITANO MARU	...	Saturday, 16th June	
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	MISHIMA MARU	...	Wednesday, 23rd May
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.	TANGO MARU	...	Wednesday, 20th June
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,	MOJI MARU	...	Sunday, 27th May
Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.	RAKUYO MARU	...	Thursday, 31st May
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape	...	...	...
Town & Ports.	...	...	...
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.	WAKASA MARU	...	Saturday, 9th June
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News,
Vessels Expected, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

LOCAL IMPORTS & THROUGH
FREIGHTS FAIR.

GOOD BRITISH RETURNS.

Of the nine British arrivals during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday eight discharged cargo for this port, amounting to over 9,000 tons. Of the 13,403 tons of general cargo carried through for ports beyond, only one foreign vessel carried 200 tons of cargo. The remaining 13,203 tons were carried by five British vessels. There were sixteen arrivals and eighteen departures during the period under review.

The general merchandise for Hong Kong totalled 14,712 tons, of which 9,032 tons were carried by eight British ships. The best cargo returns were shown by the s.s. *Takaka* with 3,100 tons from Bangkok and Keelung; and the s.s. *Yungnam* (British) from Bangkok with 2,953 tons of general cargo. Through freights totalled 13,403 tons, and five British ships carried 13,194 tons. Two Blue Funnel liners were best carriers. The s.s. *Patroclus* from Chefoo and Shanghai carried 6,901 tons, while the s.s. *Adriatic* had 5,371 tons from Liverpool and Singapore.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	9	7
Japanese	2	4
Chinese	5	3
Norwegian	0	1
Danish	0	1
French	0	1
American	0	1
Total	16	18

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Australian-Oriental Line.
Changte, June 8th.
Taiping, July 10th.

Bank Line.
City of Chester, May 27th.
City of Tokyo, June 9th.
City of Bedford, June 22nd.
City of Peking, July 7th.
City of Osaka, July 13th.
City of New Castle, June 15th.
City of Evansville, July 20th.
City of Winnipeg, August 4th.
City of Delhi, September 1st.
City of Glasgow, September 9th.

Blue Funnel Line.
Helenus, May 19th.
Orestes, May 20th.
Teucer, May 22nd.
Perses, May 27th.
Menelaus, May 28th.
Pyrrhus, May 30th.
Hector, May 31st.
Rhexenor, June 8th.
Mentor, June 10th.
Tyndarus, June 10th.
Dardanus, June 12th.
Antenor, June 13th.
Oanfa, June 20th.
Dioneda, June 26th.
Atreus, June 27th.
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Glaucus, June 29th.
Protesilaus, July 3rd.
Lycan, July 8th.
Philoctetes, July 8th.
Nengochu, July 16th.
Achilles, July 21st.
Telchyrus, July 24th.
Theseus, July 25th.
Aeneas, July 26th.
Phemius, August 4th.
Bellerophon, August 5th.
Elpenor, August 22nd.
Sarpedon, August 23rd.
Machaon, September 19th.

Ben Line.
Benarlich, May 23rd.
British-India and Apear Line.
Santhia, to-day.
Tahma, May 24th.
Tahliwa, May 31st.
Tahwa, May 31st.
Takada, June 5th.
Talamba, June 15th.

Dollar Steamship Line.
President Wilson, May 19th.
President Lincoln, May 21st.
President Cleveland, May 25th.
East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.
Perr, June 6th.
Siam, June 10th.
Danmark, July 16th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.
St. Albans, June 4th.
Arafura, July 9th.
Glen Line.
Pembrokehire, May 29th.
Glenferr, June 9th.
Hindenburg, June 24th.
Cardiganshire, July 9th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie and
Hugo Stinnes Linie.
Ludendorff, May 29th.
Fogelund, June 3rd.
Hindenburg, June 13th.
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Oldenburg, July 7th.

Java-China-Japan Line.
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Message Maritimes.
Athos II., May 22nd.
Si-liang, May 19th.
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Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Rakuyo Maru, to-day.
Tango Maru, to-day.
Ceylon Maru, to-morrow.
Hakozaki Maru, to-morrow.
Hakama Maru, May 22nd.
Fuji Maru, May 24th.
Kamori Maru, May 26th.
Kamo Maru, May 28th.
Moji Maru, May 30th.
Hakusan Maru, June 1st.
Tango Maru, June 4th.
Morioka Maru, June 7th.
Wakasa Maru, June 8th.
Dakar Maru, June 10th.
Sado Maru, June 10th.
Asuka Maru, June 15th.
Kitano Maru, June 15th.
Korea Maru, June 15th.
Tango Maru, June 19th.
Haruna Maru, June 29th.
Durban Maru, July 9th.
Aki Maru, July 24th.
Kamakura Maru, July 25th.

Peninsular and Oriental.
Labore, May 19th.
Mirapora, May 20th.
Devanha, May 21st.
Kidderpore, May 22nd.
Ranpara, May 24th.
Malwa, May 26th.
Alipore, May 31st.
Jeypore, June 2nd.
Nankin, June 5th.
Khyber, June 7th.
Rawalpindi, June 21st.
Nellore, July 3rd.
Kashmir, July 8th.
Rajputana, July 19th.
Kalyan, August 2nd.
Naldara, August 10th.
Morea, September 13th.
Karnala, September 27th.
Macedonia, October 12th.

Prince Line.
Japanese Prince, June 3rd.
Chinese Prince, June 29th.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

MOORING ALONGSIDE A
QUARANTINED SHIP.

A SERIOUS OFFENCE.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Two mistresses and a master of passenger sampans were charged before Commander J. B. Newill at the Marine Court yesterday morning with approaching within 30 yards of the s.s. *Shun Chik* in the quarantine anchorage. The said ship was an infected vessel flying the quarantine flag, and the defendants had failed to apply for express permission to approach her from the Health Officer of the Port. Lance-Sergeant Winslade who made the arrests was in charge of the case, and the defendants pleaded "not guilty."

The first and second defendants said that the ship was about 700 feet away, while the third defendant admitted that she was alongside the vessel but had not made fast. The police officer and Coxswain aboard the No. 5 Patrol Launch both said that they saw the defendants within 30 yards of the quarantined vessel, and that the defendants made off as soon as they saw the Police launch. They were chased and arrested yesterday morning at 3 a.m.

The Magistrate indicted a heavy fine of \$30 with the alternative of 20 days' hard labour on each of the three defendants.

Suicide Case.
The master of the s.s. *Anking* (British) arriving here from Singapore and Amoy reports that a Chinese passenger deliberately jumped overboard.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.
Asiatic deck passengers arriving in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday numbered 77. The passengers were carried by seven vessels.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. s.s. *Labore* left Shanghai for Hong Kong on the 15th inst. at noon, with the mails, and is due here on Saturday, the 19th inst., at about 5 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. *Benarlich*, from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on the 23rd inst.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

	Sunrise.	Sunset.
To-day	5.42 a.m.	6.57 p.m.
To-morrow	5.42 "	6.57 "
Saturday	5.42 "	6.58 "

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.
Pfalz, May 20th.
Saarbrücken, June 4th.
Rohlscheid, June 22nd.
Coblentz, July 2nd.
Ludwigshafen, July 18th.
Fulda, July 30th.
Oder, August 15th.

Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.
Nanking, May 25th.
Ayra, June 16th.
Delhi, June 17th.

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"LAHORE"	5,252	19th May	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, Straits, Colombo, B'bay, & K'ndu
"KIDDERPORE"	5,384	22nd May	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MALWA"	10,986	26th May	Straits, Colombo and Bombay
"ALIPORA"	5,373	31st May	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"JEYPORE"	5,318	2nd June	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"DELTA"	5,397	9th June	Straits & Bombay
"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	19th June	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	16,601	23rd June	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"NOVARA"	6,689	30th June	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"KHYBER"	8,114	7th July	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	21st July	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"NANKIN"	8,585	4th Aug.	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"RAJPUTANA"	16,668	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"NALDERA"	16,688	1st Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KALYAN"	9,144	15th Sept.	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"KASHGAR"	9,005	29th Sept.	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'dam, H'lm, B'bay, & K'ndu
"MOREA"	10,953	13th Oct.	do.
"KARMALA"	9,123	27th Oct.	do.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	10th Nov.	do.
"KHYBER"	8,114	24th Nov.	do.
"MALWA"	10,946	8th Dec.	do.
"NALDERA"	16,688	22nd Dec.	do.

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"ARAFURA" 6,000 3rd Aug. do.
"TANDA" 6,956 31st Aug. do.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong	Destination
"SANTHIA"	7,754	20th May, 6 a.m.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	21st May, 10 a.m.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"DEVANHA"	8,155	22nd May	S'hai, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"BANPURA"	16,601	26th May	S'hai, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"TALWA"	10,986	28th May	S'hai, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"ST. ALBANS"	4,000	29th June	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"ARAFURA"	6,000	3rd Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KALYAN"	9,144	7th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAJPUTANA"	16,668	18th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NANKIN"	8,585	4th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAJPUTANA"	16,668	18th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NANKIN"	8,585	4th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAJPUTANA"	16,668	18th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NANKIN"	8,585	4th Sept.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th Sept.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAJPUTANA"	16,668	18th Sept.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NANKIN"	8,585	4th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAJPUTANA"	16,668	18th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NANKIN"	8,585	4th Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAJPUTANA"	16,668	18th Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NANKIN"	8,585	4th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	16,668	18th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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Australia & New Zealand via Negapatam (letters only), London, 19th April	Tango Maru	17th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Southia	17th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Kanchoi	17th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Hakosaki Maru	17th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Lahore	18th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Pres. Wilson	18th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Sinkiang	18th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Devanah	21st May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Mirapora	21st May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Pres. Lincoln	21st May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Athos II	22nd May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Mishima Maru	22nd May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Taiyo Maru	22nd May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Pres. Cleveland	25th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Kamo Maru	25th May
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Hakusan Maru	1st June

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Due
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hanoi	Thursday, 17th, 9.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Taipei	Thursday, 17th, 10.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Wing Wo	Thursday, 17th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Adriatic	Thursday, 17th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hydra	Thursday, 17th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Telenachus	Thursday, 17th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Taipei	Friday, 18th, 9.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Tango Maru	Friday, 18th, 10.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Tonkin	Friday, 18th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hai Hong	Friday, 18th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Kachow	Friday, 18th, 10.30 P.M.
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Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	West Cadron	Friday, 18th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hakosaki Maru	Friday, 18th, 10.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Bintang	Saturday, 19th, 10.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Lahore	Saturday, 19th, 10.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Anking	Saturday, 19th, 10.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hosan Maru	Sunday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Kalyan	Sunday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Mirapora	Monday, 21st, 8.30 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Sinkiang	Monday, 21st, 4.30 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Fookang	Tuesday, 22nd, 1.00 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Athos II	Tuesday, 22nd, 1.00 P.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Mishima Maru	Wednesday, 23rd, 8.45 A.M.
Port Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Fookang	Wednesday, 23rd, 10.30 A.M.
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Yau Ma Tei	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.10	10.00	10.00	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.30	5.42	7.30
Yau Ma Tei	6.49	—	—	9.32	10.08	10.08	1.32	—	—	4.38	5.50	7.38
Yau Ma Tei	7.01	—	—	9.33	10.20	10.20	1.34	—	—	4.50	6.02	7.50
Yau Ma Tei	7.15	—	—	9.48	10.33	10.33	1.47	—	—	5.04	6.16	8.03
Yau Ma Tei	7.30	—	—	9.53	10.37	10.37	1.51	—	—	5.08	6.19	8.07
Yau Ma Tei	7.35	—	—	10.05	10.47	10.47	2.01	—	—	5.18	6.30	8.17
Yau Ma Tei	7.41	—	—	10.10	10.52	10.52	2.06	—	—	5.23	6.36	8.21
Yau Ma Tei	7.45	—	—	10.15	10.58	10.58	2.12	—	—	5.29	6.41	8.27
Yau Ma Tei	7.48	—	—	11.10	—	—	—	—	—	6.47	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	—	11.50	—	5.38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Yau Ma Tei	—	—	—	8.05	—	—	—	—	—	3.20	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	—	—	—	11.02	—	—	—	—	—	6.21	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	7.18	8.05	10.35	11.03	11.38	2.58	4.39	5.49	6.24	7.01	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	7.35	8.12	10.42	—	11.46	3.05	4.46	5.56	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	7.50	8.15	10.47	—	11.50	3.10	4.50	6.00	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	7.55	8.26	10.57	—	12.01	3.21	5.00	6.10	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.00	8.31	11.01	—	12.06	3.26	5.05	6.15	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.05	8.36	11.06	—	12.10	3.30	5.09	6.19	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.10	8.41	11.11	—	12.15	3.35	5.14	6.24	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.15	8.46	11.16	—	12.20	3.40	5.19	6.29	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.20	8.51	11.21	—	12.25	3.45	5.24	6.34	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.25	8.56	11.26	—	12.30	3.50	5.29	6.39	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.30	9.01	11.31	—	12.35	3.55	5.34	6.44	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.35	9.06	11.36	—	12.40	4.00	5.39	6.49	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.40	9.11	11.41	—	12.45	4.05	5.44	6.54	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.45	9.16	11.46	—	12.50	4.10	5.49	7.04	—	—	—	—
Yau Ma Tei	8.50	9.21	11.51	—	12.55	4.15	5.54	7.09	—	—	—	—

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WATERLOO AS TRAIN TERMINUS.

Proposals of a sweeping character, which if adopted would change many familiar aspects of the West End of London, have been submitted to the Prime Minister by the Minister of Transport, Col. Wilfrid Ashley.

They are consequential on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on London Bridges which proposed the construction of a double-deck road and railway bridge over the Thames at Charing Cross. The Royal Commission considered that such a bridge could be built at a cost of £7,500,000, but a committee of engineers appointed by the Ministry of Transport and the London County Council, assisted by the engineer of the Southern Railway, has made an exhaustive examination of the scheme and reported that the cost would be £11,500,000.

A New Terminus.

I gather, writes the *Daily Mail* political correspondent, that the Minister of Transport has not felt that he can recommend adoption of the Royal Commission's proposal, but has submitted an alternative scheme, worked out by the same engineers.

The proposal involves the sweeping away of Charing Cross Station and removing the work of this famous terminus across the river. There the Kentish lines of the Southern Railway would terminate in a great new extension of Waterloo Station.

In place of the railway bridge at Charing Cross a road bridge and viaduct, starting from the foot of St. Martin's Lane, near the Nurse Cavell memorial, would be carried across to Waterloo Road.

By thus easing cross-river traffic it is thought that it would be unnecessary to replace Waterloo Bridge. The old bridge could be widened so that its form would be maintained, but its traffic-carrying capacity increased to four lines abreast.

The report now before the Premier states that the whole of these works could be done at a cost of £10,000,000.

The proposals will be considered by the Cabinet shortly, and pending the Government's decision no step will be taken by the London County Council towards the demolition of Waterloo Bridge and erection of the new bridge there for which it already has plans and estimates completed.

It is expected, if the new plan is accepted by the Cabinet, that the Government grant from the Road Fund towards the cost would be about £7,500,000.

BRIGHTON'S LOST BEAR.

FOUND TWENTY MILES FROM
SCENE OF ITS ESCAPE.

BRIGHTON, April 23rd.
Brighton's missing bear, which has been roaming over the downs exactly a month, has been definitely located, on an estate called Tilgate, at Worthing, near Crawley, more than 20 miles from Withdean Hall, where it escaped from a private zoo.

Tracks believed to be those of a bear have been found at Tilgate by the head keeper, Mr. J. Cook, who said:

I was beating a plantation known as Black Scotch on Friday night with my son and another man. We heard a noise, and when we got to the side of the plantation we were surprised to see the bear scramble over an 18-inch wire fence and make off quickly across an out field. We followed it, but it entered Cherry Tree Wood, and by the time we got there it was too dark to see and we abandoned the search.

I took the precaution of pegging out the bear's tracks across the ploughed land with twigs, and yesterday I showed them to my employer, Mr. Nix, who is a big-game hunter. He at once classified them as bear tracks.

The wood in which the bear is supposed to be at the moment will be thoroughly beaten.

SIR LEO CHIOZZA-MONEY ACQUITTED.

A HYDE PARK CASE.

POLICE BRING NO COR-
ROBORATIVE EVIDENCE.

LONDON, May 3rd.

The nocturnal activities of the Police in Hyde Park received sharp evidence of Magisterial disapproval, when Mr. Henry L. Cancellor, at Marlborough Street Police Court, on Wednesday afternoon dismissed a case brought against Sir Leo Chiozza-Money and a young woman, and gave costs against the Police. Sir Leo, who is 57, and Miss Irene Savage, 22, were arrested on April 23rd in Hyde Park by two plain clothes men, who charged them with "behaving in a manner reasonably to offend against the public decency."

At the preliminary hearing, it was charged on Sir Leo's behalf that the Police made no effort to secure the testimony of an independent witness, who overtook the procession to the Police Station in order to return an umbrella which Sir Leo had left in the Park.

At to-day's hearing, strong evidence was given regarding the respectability of Miss Savage and the correct nature of Sir Leo's relations with her and his acquaintance with the family. After considerable testimony, the Magistrate stopped the case on the ground that the Police failed to secure corroborative evidence.

This case is one of a series extending over several years in which prominent people have fallen foul of the Police in Hyde Park. The unsafety of the Park after dark became a result of the subject of comic paper humour.

Sir Leo Chiozza-Money's own counsel to-day characterized as "most stupid" Sir Leo's choice of Hyde Park as the place to hold conversation with a young woman.

ARMY'S WOMEN COOKS.

TO DO WORK OF TWO MEN
IN FRANCE.

PARIS.

Women cooks are to replace men in the French Army. Each woman will be required to cook for 400 men and will replace two soldier cooks, who will fulfil the usual duties of a soldier.

The women are to be paid £50 a year all found and will be given dress and lodging allowances. Out of their dress allowance they must provide themselves with suitable apparel for work in the kitchen and with a uniform, the exact pattern of which has yet to be determined.

MEALS ON THE ROAD.

NEW MOTOR-COACHES WITH
RESTAURANTS.

London has two motor-coach stations at which the big vehicles arrive and depart with the regularity of trains.

During the Easter holiday both of them worked at high pressure handling crowds of road travellers. At the Orange Coaches station at Brixton all records were broken in the number of journeys to the south coast resorts.

At the Lupus-street station, near Vauxhall Bridge, S.W., which is the terminus of 10 of the motor-coach companies in southern England, more than 200 vehicles, many of them bound for places as far away as Torquay, Weston-super-Mare, and Bath, left on Easter Eve and almost as many on Easter Sunday.

Mr. L. M. Turnham, a manager of the London Coastal Services Company, which own the station, said to a reporter:

More than 500 motor-coaches have left with holiday-makers since Thursday. Road travel is becoming more and more popular. We can load 150 coaches at once, so that people can get away as easily as from a railway station.

We are shortly starting a service to the east coast resorts on which road-dining coaches will be used, enabling travellers to have a meal on the way.

Another motor-coach station is being built near Russell-square, and it is proposed to erect another near Victoria Station.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

(May 18th.)

Helena May Institute Christian Fellowship Meeting, 10.30 a.m.
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting, 11 a.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."

World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.20 "Lock Young Bridge" at 2.30 and 7.15.

Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Lahore).

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Saturday.

(May 19th.)

Golf: Bogey Pool, Fanling. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., 6th ordinary yearly meeting, noon.

Chinese Athletic Association. Football Dinner Yee Wo Restaurant, 7.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."

World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.20 "Lock Young Bridge" at 2.30 and 7.15.

Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Lahore). Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Hakodati, Haru), 9.30 a.m.

Sunday.

(May 20th.)

Golf: Bogey Pool, Fanling. Queen's Theatre: "Tillie the Toiler."

World Theatre: "The Navigator." Star Theatre: "The Valley of Hell."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Marseilles (Hakodati, Haru), 9.30 a.m.

Monday.

(May 21st.)

Sale of Crown land Kowloon Inland lot No. 1133, 3 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Tillie the Toiler."

World Theatre: "The Navigator." Star Theatre: "The Valley of Hell."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Marseilles (Hakodati, Haru), 9.30 a.m.

Tuesday.

(May 22nd.)

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miserables."

World Theatre: "Padlocked." Star Theatre: "The Lone Eagle."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Athos II.), 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

(May 23rd.)

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miserables."

World Theatre: "Padlocked." Star Theatre: "The Lone Eagle."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Thursday.

(May 24th.)

Empire Day. Opening by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government of Cheer 'O, Y.M.C.A. City Hall 6 p.m.

Official Opening St. Peter's Club Bathing Shed Repulse Bay, 3.30.

Queen's Theatre: "Les Miserables."

World Theatre: "The Frontiers Man."

Star Theatre: "The Boy Friend." Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

Friday.

(May 25th.)

Union Insurance Society of Canton 35th ordinary yearly meeting, 11 a.m.

China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 50th ordinary yearly meeting, 11.15 a.m.

British Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., 62nd ordinary yearly meeting, 11.30 a.m.

Meeting of Creditors of the Hong Kong and Territorial Estates, Ltd., noon.

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